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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2011, 9:30 A.M.

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: GOOD MORNING. GOING TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER. LET ME ASK EVERYONE TO RISE FOR THE PLEDGE AND THE PRAYER. IT WILL BE LED BY KATHY COOPER-LEDESMA. AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY REX SULLIVAN OF THE SUGAR RAY ROBINSON OF THE BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN LEGION.

REV. KATHY COOPER-LEDESMA: I INVITE YOU TO BE IN AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER. CREATOR GOD, THE DARKNESS SHALL NOT OVERTAKE IT, WE OFFER PRARPZ FOR ALL YOUR PEOPLE. WE ARE MINDFUL OF THE MANY AND SOMETIMES OVERWHELMING NEEDS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, FOR THOSE THAT ARE HUNGRY, MAY WE OFFER BREAD. FOR THOSE THAT ARE HOMELESS MAY WE OFFER HOUSING FIRST. FOR THOSE THAT ARE UNEMPLOYED, MAY WE OFFER A SAFETY NET AS WELL AS HOPE FOR A BETTER TOMORROW. FOR THOSE THAT ARE LONELY, MAY WE OFFER OUR HANDS AND HEARTS. FOR THOSE THAT ARE SICK, MAY WE OFFER HEALING AND WHOLENESS. WE ESPECIALLY REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIV AND AIDS WHO RECEIVE HEALTH CARE AT OUR L.A. COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER. MAY THE TREATMENT STRENGTHEN THEIR BODY AND SOULS EVEN AS WE PRAY FOR A CURE. WE ASK YOUR BLESSING ON OUR ELECT OH

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1 FISHINGS TODAY AS WE SEEK THEIR NEEDS NOT NAMED MAY WE SUPPORT
2 THE SOCIETY WHERE CARING FOR THE LEAST AND THE LOST IS THE
3 PLUMB LINE AGAINST WHICH ALL LEGISLATION IS MEASURED. BY YOUR
4 GRACE, TRANSFORM OUR PRAYERS FROM WORDS TO DEEDS THAT WE MAY
5 LIVE IN HARMONY WITH OTHERS, COMMITTED TO PEACE AND JUSTICE
6 AND IN FREEDOM FROM ALL THAT DIVIDES US. IN THE NAME OF ALL
7 THAT IS HOLY WE PRAY, AMEN.

8

9 **REX SULLIVAN:** (PLEDGE RECITED) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE
10 LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY THE REVEREND KATHY
11 COOPER-LEDESMA WHO IS SENIOR PASTOR IN HOLLYWOOD UNITED
12 METHODIST CHURCH AND IS A RECIPIENT OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
13 FOR ECUMENICAL COUNCIL. THE REVEREND COOPER-LEDESMA HAS SERVED
14 ON MANY BOARDS INCLUDING THE MEMORIALS PROJECT FOR HIV AIDS
15 VICTIMS. INTERFAITH ADVISORY GROUP FOR THE HOMELESS, AIDS
16 EDUCATION AND PREVENTION UNIT TCOULDN'T'S BLUE -- THE COUNTY'S
17 BLUE RIBBON COUNCIL, THE SAFE SURRENDER TASKFORCE AND THE
18 CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES. REVEREND COOPER-LEDESMA
19 RESIDES IN LOS ANGELES WITH HER FAMILY AND AS YOU CAN SEE SHE
20 HAS A VERY REAL RELEVANT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION IN THE
21 HOLLYWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. WE APPRECIATE YOU AND WISH
22 YOU MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR
23 RIDLEY THOMAS? MR. CHAIRMAN, WE THANK YOU AND TAKE THIS
24 OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE WITH APPRECIATION REX SULLIVAN WHO
25 HAS SERVED AS A CORPORAL IN THE 82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION OF THE

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1 UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1956 UNTIL 1960. HE RECEIVED A GOLD
2 MEDAL, A GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND A NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE
3 MEDAL. HE IS CURRENTLY A COMMANDER WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION,
4 SUGAR RAY ROBINSON POST, NO. 209 IN LOS ANGELES. HE IS RETIRED
5 MERCHANT MARINE. HE HAS LIVED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR SOME
6 60 YEARS AND HAS BEEN MARRIED TO HIS WIFE BETTY FOR 52 YEARS.
7 PLEASE WELCOME WITH APPRECIATION REX SULLIVAN. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BOARD SECRETARY, CALL
10 THE AGENDA

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
13 BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
14 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM NO.
15 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
16 THIS ITEM. ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL
17 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P THROUGH 3-P, THERE'S A
18 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE
19 ITEMS.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** ALL OF THEM?

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS
24 1 THROUGH 11. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF
25 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR

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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ON THIS ITEM, IF WE
2 COULD HOLD THIS ITEM FOR LATER IN THE MEETING. ON ITEM NO. 6,
3 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
4 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE
5 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 8,
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
7 ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECOND BY
11 KNABE. BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 12, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 12
14 THROUGH 51. ON ITEM NO. 12, THIS SHOULD BE A THREE-VOTE ITEM,
15 NOT A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR
16 YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
17 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13, SUPERVISOR
18 RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
19 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
20 ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
21 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 17, AND ON ITEM NO.S 19 AND 21,
22 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
23 THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 23, AND ITEM NO. 25, THERE'S ALSO A
24 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
25 NO. 26, THE REVISED RECOMMENDATION WAS INCLUDED ON THE

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1 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR KNABE
2 REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 27, AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND
4 FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE
5 WEEKS TO JANUARY 10TH, 2012. ON ITEM NO. 31, SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
7 BE HELD. 31. ON ITEM NO. 32 AND 33, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
8 MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM
9 NO. 35, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
10 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 45, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF
11 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER
12 THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

13
14 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
15 KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16
17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 30, DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 52
18 THROUGH 54. ON ITEM NO. 52 AND 53, AS INDICATED ON THE
19 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
20 THIS ITEMS BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 17TH, 2012. AND ALSO
21 THERE'S EITHER A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE
22 PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM.

23
24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WE WILL CONTINUE IT. BUT
25 WE'LL HOLD IT FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 54, AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
4 CONTINUED TO JANUARY 17, 2012. AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
5 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO
6 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
7 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 65-A IS
8 BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON ONE SECOND. 55-A IS MOVED
11 BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
12 VOTE.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 55-B, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 55-C,
16 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
17 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 55-D IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY
20 KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 55-E IS BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 55-F, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
3 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
4 32, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR FURTHER
5 DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THIS BOARD, ON ITEM NO. A-6,
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
7 34, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEMS NO. CS-4 AND CS-5, AS
8 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS
9 THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 17, 2012. WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I APOLOGIZE. ON ITEM NO. 43, THAT WAS A
13 FOUR-VOTE -- WE DID HAVE FOUR VOTES, NEVER MIND. AND SO THAT
14 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
15 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL NO. 3. MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD, WE'RE HONORED THIS MORNING TO WELCOME AND INTRODUCE THE
17 HONORABLE AHMED JEWAD THE CONSUL GENERAL OF IRAQ. HE JOINED
18 THE MINISTRY OF AFFAIRS IN 1979 AFTER EARNING A MASTER'S
19 DEGREE IN ECONOMICS AND ADMINISTRATION FROM BAGHDAD
20 UNIVERSITY. HE'S SERVED IN NUMEROUS POSTS AT THE UNIVERSITY.
21 HIS FOREIGN ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDED POSTINGS TO THE EMBASSY IN
22 CUTTER AND MOSCOW. HE HAS ALSO HEADED NUMEROUS DELEGATIONS TO
23 THE UNITED NATIONS DELEGATE ASSEMBLY AND TO OTHER UN AGENCIES.
24 HE ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES TO HEAD IF NEW CONSULATE OF IRAQ
25 LAST OCTOBER, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE. HE IS HERE TODAY WITH

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1 MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2 AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
3 ANGELES, I WANT TO EXTEND TO YOU A WARM WELCOME, CONSUL
4 GENERAL JEWAD TO OUR CITY AND COUNTY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO
5 ENHANCING THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS
6 COUNTY ALREADY SHARE WITH THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ. AND WE WISH YOU
7 WELL IN THE MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD. WELCOME. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANKS. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MR.
10 YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIR OF BOARD OF SUPERVISOR OF LOS ANGELES, AND
11 MISS MOLINA AND MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, MR. KNABE, AND MR.
12 ANTONOVICH FOR RECEIVING ME IN A VERY SHORT TIME FROM MY
13 ARRIVAL. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE GOVERNMENTS
14 OF UNITED STATES AND ALSO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR
15 SUPPORTING THE IRAQI PEOPLE IN REACHING TO THE PATHS OF
16 DEMOCRACY. AND ACTUALLY WE HAVE SUFFERED A LOSS AND SACRIFICED
17 A LOT. AND WE HAVE GIVEN A LOT OF LOSS. BUT WITH YOU, WITH
18 YOUR SUPPORT, WITH YOUR MOTIVE, WE WOULD LIKE TO REALLY THANK
19 YOU FOR HELPING US, FOR HELPING THE IRAQI PEOPLE TO GET INTO
20 THE SEE REAL DEMOCRACY IN THE AREA. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISORS?

23

24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO ASK TRACY WESTEN AND
25 ROBERT STERN TO JOIN ME HERE? MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, TODAY I'M

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1 PRESENTING SCROLLS TO ROBERT STERN, WHO IS A FORMER PRESIDENT
2 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR -- I'M SORRY, RESPECTIVELY TO PRESIDENT
3 AND EXECUTIVE, A GOOD GOVERNMENT THINK TANK AND ADVOCACY
4 ORGANIZATION THAT CLOSED ITS DOORS AFTER 28 YEARS OF
5 OPERATION. ALONG WITH TRACY WESTEN, I SHOULD HAVE ADDED. BOB
6 STERN IS ONE OF OUR CONSTITUENTS IN THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
7 DISTRICT, A FORMER STAFF ATTORNEY FOR THE CALIFORNIA
8 LEGISLATURE'S ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, ELECTIONS COUNSEL
9 TO THE CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE, PRINCIPAL
10 COAUTHOR OF THE LANDMARK 1984 POLITICAL REFORM ACT. PRINCIPAL
11 DRAFTER OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ETHICS AND PUBLIC CAMPAIGN
12 FINANCING IN 1990 AND FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL OF FAIR POLITICAL
13 PRACTICES COMMISSION. TRACY WESTEN IS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF
14 COMMUNICATIONS LAW AND POLICY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
15 CALIFORNIA AND ENBERG SCHOOL FOR COMMUNICATION AND JOURNALISM,
16 A FOUNDING MEMBER AND THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE POLICY
17 ACCESS BOARD FOR 35. FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE
18 CONSUMER TRADE COMMISSION. DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF LAW --
19 AND LEGAL ASSISTANT TO COMMISSIONER NICHOLAS JOHNSON AT THE
20 FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION COMMISSION. UNDER BOB STORN
21 AND TRACY WESTEN'S LEADERSHIP TCENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES
22 -- THE CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES MAINTAINED AN
23 EXTRAORDINARY REPUTATION FOR HONESTY AND THOUGHTFUL,
24 SOPHISTICATED ANALYSIS OF CAMPAIGN AND POLITICAL REFORM
25 ISSUES. THE GO-TO GUYS FOR POLITICAL PROFESSIONALS,

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1 JOURNALISTS AND ACADEMICS. THEIR PRESENCE IN THE CGS'S
2 PRESENCE IN LOS ANGELES IN CALIFORNIA IN GENERAL WILL BE
3 SORELY MISSED BY MOST OF US MOST OF THE TIME. [LAUGHTER.] BUT
4 BOTH OF YOU HAVE MADE YOUR MARK, AN INDELIBLE MARK ON THE --
5 SHHH. MAY WE PLEASE HAVE CONVERSATIONS? -- MADE A DOUBLE MARK
6 ON THE LEVEL OF ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM.
7 IT'S CERTAINLY NOT PERFECT. IT'S FAR FROM IT, BUT IT WOULD
8 HAVE BEEN FAR WORSE BUT FOR THE CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL
9 STUDIES' EFFORTS AND BOTH OF YOU INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY
10 BEING IF WATCH DOGS FOR THE PUBLIC OVER ALL OF US WHO ARE IN
11 THE PUBLIC SECTOR. SO WE WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
12 PRESENT YOU WITH THESE PROCLAMATIONS. THIS IS PROBABLY THE
13 FIRST TIME ALL FIVE OF US HAVE AGREED ON ANYTHING YOU'VE DONE.
14 [LAUGHTER.] IN YOUR CAREERS, BUT WE COULD ALL AGREE THAT WE
15 ARE HAPPY YOU RETIRED. [LAUGHTER.] BUT WE'RE NOT HAPPY.
16 [LAUGHTER.] WE'RE NOT HAPPY YOU RETIRED. CONGRATULATIONS AND
17 THANK YOU TO BOTH OF YOU AND I'D LIKE TO ASK IF YOU'D SAY A
18 WORD OR TWO. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND
21 PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND ALSO JOE BELLMAN
22 OF HIS STAFF FOR INVITING US FOR THIS HONOR TODAY. I WAS ASKED
23 TO COME TO LOS ANGELES IN 1983 BY MY COLLEAGUE TRACY WESTEN.
24 HE TOLD ME HE COULD ONLY GUARANTEE A ONE-YEAR JOB, SO WE
25 DIDN'T SELL OUR HOUSE IN SACRAMENTO. FINALLY IN THE YEAR 2000,

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1 17 YEARS LATER, JOAN AND I, MY WIFE, DECIDED PERHAPS THIS WAS
2 A PERMANENT GIG, AND WE SOLD OUR HOUSE. TRACEY'S ONE OF THE
3 MOST REMARKABLE PEOPLE I'VE EVER WORKED WITH. AND PAST BOSSES
4 OF MINE INCLUDE HENRY WAXMAN, WHETHER HE'S WORKING IN THE
5 LEGISLATURE, AND JERRY BROWN, SECRETARY OF STATE. SO TRACY'S
6 IN GREAT COMPANY. WED A FABULOUS STAFF AT CGS. SOME OF OUR
7 STAFF IS IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY OF THE WE HAD A TERRIFIC BOARD
8 OF DIRECTORS WITH TWO CHAIRS. ROCK OH WHO CANNOT BE HERE TODAY
9 BECAUSE OF A FAMILY COMMITMENT AND STEVEN ROUNDTREE WHO IS
10 HERE WHO IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION. I'VE HAD A
11 WONDERFUL AND SUPPORTIVE FAMILY WHO DIDN'T COMPLAIN WHEN WE
12 MADE THE MOVE TO LOS ANGELES. JOAN WORKED AT THE GETTY, UCLA,
13 TAUGHT FRENCH AND NOW IS A FULL-TIME POET. SHE TRULY IS A
14 RENAISSANCE WOMAN. SOUND ENGINEER AND IS A HIGH SPEED ADVOCATE
15 AND PRACTICES WHAT HE PRACTICES, HE TAKES THE TRAIN FROM DOWN
16 TOWN L.A. TO BURBANK EVERY DAY. SOMEONE ONCE TOLD ME I WAS
17 VERY HAPPY TO BE PAID TO WHAT I LOVE TO DO AND HE WAS RIGHT.
18 MY GOAL STARTED IN 1971 WHEN I WORKED FOR THE LEGISLATURE AND
19 THEN SECRETARY OF STATE AND FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES
20 COMMISSION AND FINALLY WITH CGS IS MAKE GOVERNMENT MORE
21 TRANSPARENT AND TO INCREASE CONFIDENCE IN THE POLITICAL AND
22 GOVERNMENTAL PROCESSES WHILE I SUCCEEDED IN THE FORMER,
23 CLEARLY WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO GO TO INSPIRE PRIDE IN
24 GOVERNMENT POLITICS. BUT MY WIFE CALLS ME THE -- OF REFORM. SO
25 I'M NOT GOING AWAY UNTIL I PUSH THE ROCK UP THE TOP OF THE

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1 MOUNTAIN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. .

2 [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WHEN I FOUNDED CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES 28
5 YEARS AGO IN 1983, I DID SO WITH THE REALIZATION THAT
6 DEMOCRACY DOES NOT OFTEN INVEST IN ITSELF. REFORM IS OFTEN A
7 DIALOGUE BETWEEN CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, THINK
8 TANKS LIKE CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES, AND MANY OTHERS.
9 IT'S AN EVOLVING PROCESS. OVER THE YEARS, I THINK WE HAD MANY
10 SUCCESSES AND SOME LACK OF SUCCESSES. I'M REMINDED OF A
11 COMMENT THAT MY TORTS PROFESSOR MADE IN LAW SCHOOL WHEN WE IN
12 SUDDEN IRRITATION BY BEING QUIZZED BY HIM ALL THE TIME SAID
13 WELL HOW MANY CASES DID YOU WIN? AND HE SAID WELL, I STARTED
14 BY LOSING CASES I SHOULD HAVE WON. I ENDED BY WINNING CASES I
15 SHOULD HAVE LOST. I THINK THE CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES
16 HAS A SIMILAR RECORD. WE'VE ADVOCATED CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORMS
17 THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED ALL OVER CALIFORNIA AND IN OTHER
18 STATES. REDISTRICTING REFORMS THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED IN
19 CALIFORNIA. SOFTENING OF TERM LIMITS, WHICH ARE ON THE BALLOT
20 IN 2012. BALLOT MEASURE REFORMS, SOME OF WHICH HAVE BEEN
21 ADOPTED. AND WE ALSO PIONEERED, I THINK, THE USE OF DIGITAL
22 TECHNOLOGIES TO ENGAGE CITIZENS. WE BUILT THE FIRST ONLINE
23 SOURCE OF CANDIDATE DEBATE AND VOTER ENGAGEMENT CALLED THE
24 DEMOCRACY NETWORK. AND IN FACT SUPERVISOR MOLINA KINDLY
25 PARTICIPATED IN A DEMO AND VIDEOTAPED SHORT STATEMENTS IN

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1 ENGLISH AND SPANISH. AND THAT DEMO WAS SHOWN ALL OVER THE
2 COUNTRY TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE AND FINALLY ON C-SPAN. SO WE
3 THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE ALSO BUILT THE CALIFORNIA CHANNEL,
4 WHICH IS THE C-SPAN FOR THE STATE. AND THAT SERVED AS A MODEL
5 WHICH HAS BEEN FOLLOWED BY MANY OTHER CITIES, COUNTIES AND
6 STATES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SO WE'RE PLEASED WITH OUR
7 SUCCESSES. WE'RE SORRY WE HAD TO CLOSE OUR DOORS. OUR FUNDING
8 RAN OUT. NOT MUCH WE COULD DO ABOUT THAT. BUT BOB AND I AND
9 THE STAFF, VERY TALENTED STAFF, WILL CONTINUE TO WORK IN THE
10 PUBLIC INTEREST IN NEW WAYS. AND WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THIS
11 HONOR. IT'S PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TO US BECAUSE IT COMES FROM
12 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ITS MEMBERS HAVE ALSO DEDICATED
13 THEIR CAREERS TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
14 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT'S
17 MY PRIVILEGE TO ASK SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO JOIN ME IN THIS
18 PRESENTATION. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO JOIN CHRIS O'HARA TO JOIN
19 US. SHE IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE JAPANESE AMERICAN
20 CULTURE OF COMMUNITY CENTER AND WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE AND
21 CELEBRATE AN OUTSTANDING, ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE CAREER OF
22 SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY. AFTER WORKING IN THAT
23 JACCC FOR OVER 20 YEARS, CHRIS LEFT IN 2004 TO BECOME THE
24 DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE EARL BURNS MILLER JAPANESE
25 GARDENS AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH. SHE RETURNED TO THE CULTURAL

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1 CENTER IN 2006 TO SERVE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. SINCE JOINING
2 BACK IN 1982, CHRIS PARTICIPATED IN THE OPENING OF THE ARITANI
3 JAPAN AMERICAN THEATER, SAW THE COMPLETION OF THE JACCC PLAZA,
4 AND ALSO DURING HER TENURE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THEY
5 RESTORED THEIR AWARD-WINNING JAMES IRVINE JAPANESE GARDEN AND
6 ESTABLISHED THE PLAZA AS AN EVENT SPACE FOR VARIOUS COMMUNITY
7 EVENTS AND FESTIVALS. EARLIER THIS YEAR, JACCC ORGANIZED A
8 COMMUNITY GATHERING AND INTERFAITH SERVICE FOR THE JAPAN
9 EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS. SHE HAS SERVED AS CHAIR OF THE LITTLE
10 TOKYO COMMUNITY COUNCIL. SHE'S STILL LOBBYING ON THEIR BEHALF.
11 SHE IS ON THE LITTLE TOKYO COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR
12 THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, A MEMBER OF THE
13 CALIFORNIA JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL, AND
14 HAS SERVED ON THE TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION FOR SIX
15 YEARS. SO IT'S OUR HONOR TO RECOGNIZE CHRIS FOR HER MANY
16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON BEHALF OF HER OWN COMMUNITY, BUT IT'S
17 REALLY ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 THAT WE'RE DEEPLY GRATEFUL AND WISH HER THE VERY, VERY BEST.
19 [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WANT TO JOIN WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE IN
22 CONGRATULATING CHRIS FOR ALL THE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP THAT
23 SHE HAS PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY, NOT ONLY THE
24 LEADERSHIP THAT SHE'S PROVIDED IN THE LITTLE TOKYO COMMUNITY
25 BUT THROUGHOUT IN CULTURAL AFFAIRS. SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR

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1 CONTRIBUTION, HER WORK AND ALL OF HER SUCCESSES.

2 CONGRATULATIONS TO OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS KNABE AND
5 MOLINA EVEN. THIS IS REALLY A GREAT HONOR FOR ME. IT IS NOT
6 ALWAYS THAT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO IN THE
7 COMMUNITY. I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M VERY PROUD TO BE A
8 CITIZEN OF THIS COUNTY. AND I WORK IN LITTLE TOKYO. SO I FEEL
9 THAT THIS RECOGNITION IS NOT JUST FOR ME OR FOR MY
10 ORGANIZATION, THE JAPANESE AMERICAN CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTER,
11 BUT I THINK IT'S ALSO RECOGNITION MUCH THE VALUE AND
12 IMPORTANCE OF LITTLE TOKYO. I THINK THAT ONE OF THE GREAT
13 THINGS OF BEING, LIVING AND WORKING IN LOS ANGELES IS THE
14 GREAT DIVERSITY. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY PLACE ELSE LIKE IT.
15 I'M VERY PROUD TO WORK IN THIS COMMUNITY. AND I LOOK FORWARD -
16 - I'M NOT RETIRING. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK TO
17 MAKE OUR CITY EVEN A BETTER PLACE THAN IT IS NOW. SO THANK YOU
18 VERY MUCH FOR THE RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR
19 ANTONOVICH?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST WE WANT TO BRING UP IFONG CHEN WHO
22 SERVED FOR THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 SINCE 2006. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL
24 SCIENCE FOR THE NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY IN TAIPEI AND THEN
25 HIS MASTER'S WAS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY

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1 OF KANSAS. DURING HIS TIME AS THE CHIEF ATTACHE, HE ORGANIZED
2 AND LED THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
3 SCHOOLS TO VISIT TAIWAN AND OBTAINED GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR
4 THE UNIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES CHINESE STUDIES CENTER AND THE
5 INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CENTER TO PROMOTE THE UNDERSTANDING
6 BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND
7 TAIWAN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS AND MR. ANTONOVICH
10 PARTICULARLY, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY GREAT PLEASURE AND
11 PROFOUND PROUD TO ACCEPT THIS PROCLAMATION FROM THE COUNTY OF
12 LOS ANGELES. HAVING BEEN POSTED HERE FOR 6-1/2 YEARS AND MADE
13 A LOT OF FRIENDS OVER HERE AND I HAVE FOND MEMORIES OVER HERE,
14 TOO, IN LOS ANGELES. AND AS YOU CAN TELL, MY FAMILY STAND NEXT
15 TO ME. THEY ALSO LIKE LOS ANGELES VERY MUCH. SO ALTHOUGH I'M
16 GOING TO LEAVE LOS ANGELES NEXT MONTH, STILL I THINK I LEFT MY
17 HEART IN LOS ANGELES. I LOVE YOU, LOS ANGELES. AND MAY GOD
18 BLESS YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SPEAKER:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP ROBERT KETCH WHO SERVED
21 AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FIVE ACRES. THE BOYS AND GIRLS AIDS
22 SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE PAST 35 YEARS, FIVE
23 ACRES AS A CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY THAT STRENGTHENS
24 FAMILIES AND PREVENTS CHILD ABUSE THROUGH TREATMENT AND
25 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY-BASED AND RESIDENTIAL

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1 PROGRAMS. BOB HAS BECOME THE EX -- BECAME THE EXECUTIVE
2 DIRECTOR BACK IN 1984 AFTER SERVING AS FIVE ACRES'
3 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SEVEN YEARS. HE'S BEEN INSTRUMENTAL
4 IN EXPANDING AND INTENSIFYING THE AGENCY'S RESIDENTIAL
5 TREATMENT GROUP HOMES, THERAPEUTIC SCHOOL, FOSTER CARE AND
6 ADOPTION PROGRAMS. HE ALSO SERVED AS I SHOULD SAY CREATED FIVE
7 ACRES' TO HELP AT RISK FAMILIES TO STAY TOGETHER. AND THAT
8 INCLUDED SCHOOL-BASED, HOME-BASED, DEAF SERVICES, ADOPTIONS,
9 ADOPTIONS PROMOTION, AND SUPPORT SERVICES, THERAPEUTIC
10 BEHAVIORAL SERVICES, INDEPENDENT LIVING, WRAP-AROUND AND
11 FAMILY PRESERVATION. HIS PAST EXPERIENCE INCLUDES SIX YEARS AS
12 A PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER AT A NONPROFIT RESIDENTIAL
13 TREATMENT CENTER AND OUTPATIENT NOW CALLED DELOITTE OF AIMS
14 SERVICE CENTER, LUTHERAN SCHOOL SERVICES, SOCIAL SERVICES OF
15 IOWA, A LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER HE RECEIVED HIS
16 MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK FROM TULANE UNIVERSITY NEW
17 ORLEANS AFTER RECEIVING HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM OHIO STATE
18 UNIVERSITY. HE IS PAST PRESIDENT IOWA STATE. OKAY. IOWA STATE.
19 NOT GOING TO THE BOWL THIS YEAR. OKAY. BOB KETCH IS PAST
20 PRESIDENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES AND THE CALIFORNIA
21 ASSOCIATION OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND CHAIRPERSON PERSON OF
22 THE FAMILY COMMUNITY COUNCIL SERVING THE PASS AN DEN AN
23 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. BOB, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
24 INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMMUNITY AND IT'S BEEN A GREAT PLEASURE TO

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1 WORK WITH YOU, MY STAFF OVER THE YEARS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO
2 KEEPING THAT RELATIONSHIP GOING. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO SERVE AT
5 FIVE ACRES FOR ALL THESE YEARS AND IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
7 THERE'S NOT A GREATER MISSION AND IMPORTANCE THAT WE ALL HAVE
8 IN WORKING AS PARTNERS TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF FAMILIES SO
9 THEY CAN RAISE CHILDREN WHO BECOME CARING, PRODUCTIVE ADULTS.
10 AND I KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE THAT SAME CONCERN. AT THIS
11 TIME I WOULD LIKE TO VERY MUCH PLEASED TO INTRODUCE THE GROUP
12 BEHIND ME, WHICH IS THE FIVE ACRES' LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING
13 CHANNEL, THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CEO OF FIVE ACRES WHO HAS
14 BEEN WITH FIVE ACRES FOR FIVE YEARS. KATHY CLEMENT, DIRECTOR
15 OF PHILANTHROPY, CARMEN BENITES, DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES. BILL,
16 DIRECTOR OF, PAST CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF FIVE ACRES AND JOHN
17 WRIGHT ON THE BOARD OF FIVE ACRES AND KAREN EVANS, WHO'S
18 DIRECTOR OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, AND DAN BRAHN, WHO IS OUR
19 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. THANK YOU FOR THIS HONOR AND FOR YOUR
20 SUPPORT OF FIVE ACRES. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SPEAKER:** NOW I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MY APPOINTEE TO THE
23 APPEALS BOARD SINCE 2004, BELL AN WILL YOU GOESY, JR. HE
24 RECEIVED HIS BACHELORS AND LAW DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
25 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. BUT HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED BECAUSE MANY OF

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1 YOU WILL REMEMBER HE'S ONE OF OUR GREAT ACTORS OF ALL TIME.
2 HIS FATHER WAS BELL AN BELA LEGOSI. HE GOT INVOLVED IN VERSUS
3 UNIVERSAL PICTURES LED TO THE CALIFORNIA CELEBRITIES RIGHTS
4 ACT WHICH IS SO IMPORTANT TO REWARD THESE INDIVIDUALS AND
5 PROTECT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS. HE WAS EXECUTIVE AT
6 COMEDY PRODUCTIONS WHICH ALSO OWNED THE LICENSING RIGHTS TO
7 THE THREE STOOGES. CURRENTLY AN ATTORNEY AT LAW WITH AND ET
8 FOX AND BELA IS ALSO INVOLVED IN LITTLE LEAGUE, RIGHT? IN THE
9 LA QUI ATA FLINTRIDGE COMMUNITY. WE APPRECIATE HIM IN THE
10 COMMUNITY PROTECTING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, THAT TYPE
11 OF LEGAL SERVICE WHICH IS SO IMPORTANT BECAUSE THAT IS ONE OF
12 THE RIGHTS THAT HAVE BEEN ABUSED NOT JUST HERE LOCALLY BUT
13 INTERNATIONALLY, AS WELL. SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE. AND
14 WE HOPE YOU'LL STAY INVOLVED EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE LEAVING THE
15 COMMISSION, WE APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'VE DONE FOR OUR COUNTY.
16 BELA? [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR GIVING ME THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. THANK YOU ALSO FOR THE CONFIDENCES YOU
20 HAVE PLACED IN ME FOR ALL THESE YEARS ON THE ASSESSMENT
21 APPEALS BOARD. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SPEAKER:** TODAY WE WANT TO WELCOME THE NATIVE AMERICAN
24 COMMISSION TO THE BOARD WHICH MARKS THE 35TH YEAR OF THE
25 CREATION OF THE INDIAN COMMISSION. SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN AND

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1 MAYOR TOM BRADLEY JOIN TO CREATE THIS COMMISSION 35 YEARS AGO.
2 OUR COUNTY IS THE ONLY COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES WITH AN
3 INDIAN COMMISSION AUTHORIZED AS OUR COMMISSION SPECIFICALLY
4 ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND OFF RESERVATION
5 AREA. WE HAVE WITH US TODAY COMMISSIONER RUDY ORTEGA, TO MAKE
6 A PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD, AND I'M PLEASED TO SAY THAT I
7 HAVE THREE NATIVE AMERICANS WHO SERVE ON MY BOARD AS, I SHOULD
8 SAY IN MY OFFICE AS DEPUTIES AND SECRETARIAL SUPPORT. SO IT'S
9 A PLEASURE TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON 35 YEARS AND WISH YOU
10 ANOTHER GREAT 35 YEARS. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I WOULD LIKE TO OPEN THIS UP
13 FIRSTLY WITH A SONG IN A TRADITIONAL WAY. AS WELL, WE HAVE A
14 POSTER AND SOME OTHER PRESENTATIONS TO GIVE OUT. [MUSIC.]

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS A POSTER
17 THAT WAS CREATED AND BY THE LOGO BY ONE OF OUR COMMISSIONERS,
18 DON JACKSON. WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIRMAN AND THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO CELEBRATE THE 35TH
20 ANNIVERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY
21 COMMISSION. AS YOU KNOW, IN 1976, IT WAS CREATED THROUGH THE
22 EFFORTS OF THE SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN AND LOS ANGELES MAYOR
23 TOM BRADLEY. WE ARE STILL HERE. AND THE ONLY COUNTY IN THE
24 UNITED STATES THAT HAS SUCH AN INDIAN COMMISSION. WITH THIS

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1 PRESENTATION, WE'D LIKE TO GIVE OUT, AS I SAID, IT WAS THE
2 LOGO CREATED BY ONE OF OUR COMMISSIONERS.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WE WANT TO GIVE OUT OUR ANNUAL REPORT FOR 9 AND 10.
5 WE WILL GIVE OUT EACH TO ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS -- BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, SORRY. THE BOARD PASSED OUR MOTION FOR COMMUNITY
7 SERVICE BLOCK GRANT FUNDS. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE
8 SERVE ABOUT 5,000 INDIANS ANNUALLY FROM THOSE FUNDS. AND THIS
9 BOARD PASSED IT NOVEMBER 29TH. AND WHILE WE'RE VERY FAVORABLE
10 TO THAT, WE WANT YOU ALSO TO REMEMBER THAT IT WAS DEAN DANA,
11 SUPERVISOR DANA, WHO HELPED US GET THAT MONEY IN 1993. SO
12 WE'VE BEEN OPERATING THIS PROGRAM FOR QUITE A LONG TIME. WE
13 WERE LITTLE, THOUGH, IN THE ENSURE OF BEING HERE, WE WERE A
14 LITTLE UPSET THAT OUR LANGUAGE HONORING THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS WAS TAKEN OUT OF OUR BOARD MOTION. THIS IS A VERY
16 SPECIAL PROGRAM. WE ARE THE ONLY COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES
17 THAT OPERATES THIS MONEY FOR OFF-RESERVATION INDIANS. AND RUDY
18 DIDN'T REALLY INTRODUCE HIMSELF. HE'S THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
19 OFFICER FOR THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRIBE, THE FERNANDINO--
20 TRIBE. SERVICE TO THE GABOLINO TRIB AND THE OTHERS IN TIME. SO
21 WE WERE A LITTLE DISCOURAGED THE LANGUAGE WAS DROPPED. I HOPE
22 IT WAS JUST DROPPED INADVERTENTLY. BUT THIS WAS THE ONLY
23 COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES THAT OPERATES THIS AND WE SHOULD
24 BE VERY PROUD OF THAT. WE SHOULD PROMOTE THAT AS MUCH AS WE
25 CAN, AND I DO. WE SEND IT OUT TO EVERYBODY IN THE UNITED

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1 STATES MAKING THEM JEALOUS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO WE WANT
2 TO THANK THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PASSING THAT MOTION
3 NOVEMBER THE 29TH, AS WELL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SPEAKER:** NOW IN THE FAMOUS OAK RIDGE BOYS SONGEL VIE RA, THIS
6 IS LITTLE ELVIRA, A MINIATURE PINCHER WHO IS THREE YEARS OLD.
7 AND SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND YOU CAN ADOPT HER AT 562-
8 728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE OR AROUND THE COUNTY WHO
9 WOULD LIKE LITTLE ELVIRA. HOW ABOUT MARK A NICE CHRISTMAS GIFT
10 FOR AVIS? I GUESS NOT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS NOT. MR. CHAIRMAN, I GUESS IT'S
13 APPROPRIATE THAT PROXIMATE THE PRESENTER BE ADMONISHED NOT TO
14 MEDDLE IN THE AFFAIRS OF OTHER PEOPLE'S HOUSEHOLDS.
15 [LAUGHTER.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYWAY, LITTLE ELVIRA IS LOOKING FOR A HOME.

18

19 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
20 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** SO WILL ANIMAL SERVICES HAVE A MATCHING OUTFIT FOR
23 THAT SPECIAL LITTLE CREATURE IN SOME WAYS APPROXIMATES
24 SUPERVISOR OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT? THAT COULD BE A NICE WAY FOR
25 THE HOOCH TO MAKE A CHRISTMAS DAY BU. THANKDEBUT. THANK YOU,

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1 MR. ANTONOVICH, MY MAN. IS ROBIN TOMA IN THE HOUSE? HOW ABOUT
2 SERGIO PAZ? GIVE THESE TWO COUNTY LEADERS IN THE AREA OF HUMAN
3 RELATIONS A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE AS WE CELEBRATE HUMAN RIGHTS
4 MONTH TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] WE JOIN PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENTS FROM
5 AROUND THE NATION AND THE WORLD FOR THAT MATTER WHO THIS MONTH
6 CELEBRATE THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION ON -- DECLARATION OF HUMAN
7 RIGHTS, A CORNERSTONE OF PROGRESS THAT WAS ADOPTED AFTER WORLD
8 WAR II. HUMAN RIGHTS HAVE BEEN AT THE CORE OF OUR NATION'S
9 IDEALS SINCE ITS FOUNDING AND THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND MUCH OF
10 THE PROGRESS WE HAVE MADE AS A SOCIETY. THE NOTION THAT EVERY
11 PERSON SHOULD BE EQUAL IN TERMS OF BEING ACCORDED DIGNITY,
12 FAIRNESS AND OPPORTUNITY IS EMBEDDED IN OUR DECLARATION OF
13 INDEPENDENCE. AND IT IS INSPIRED THE MOVEMENT TO ABOLISH
14 SLAVERY, THE WOMEN'S RIGHTS TO VOTE IN THIS COUNTRY, AS WELL
15 AS WHAT WE KNOW AS THE MODERN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. AND
16 ALTHOUGH WE MAY NOT REALIZE IT, WE, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT,
17 PROVIDE SERVICES EVERY DAY WHICH SHOULD BE THOUGHT OF AS
18 FULFILLING OUR OBLIGATIONS TO PROMOTE, RESPECT AND FULFILL
19 HUMAN RIGHTS. WE WISH TO NAME JUST A FEW OF THEM. THE COUNTY'S
20 EFFORTS TO END HOMELESSNESS, TO FULFILL THE HUMAN RIGHT TO
21 DECENT PERMANENT HOUSING THAT IS SAFE AND ADEQUATE, OUR
22 EFFORTS TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE FOR EVERYONE IS
23 SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY DOES EVERY DAY AT ITS HOSPITALS AND
24 CLINICS TO SERVE AS A SAFETY NET FOR OUR COUNTY'S RESIDENTS.
25 AND THAT IS FULFILLING A BASIC HUMAN RIGHT TO CARE, WHICH IS

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1 ONE. FUNDAMENTAL TENETS THAT WE CELEBRATE. PROVIDING JOB
2 OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH OUR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAMS SO
3 PEOPLE CAN PAY FOR FOOD AND FOR HOUSING AND THE OTHER
4 ESSENTIAL THINGS OF LIFE. THE WORK BY THE COUNTY'S HUM AND
5 RELATIONS COMMISSION TOWARDS THE ELIMINATION OF PREJUDICE, OF
6 FAITH AND DISCRIMINATION IS THROUGH ITS PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS
7 AND COMMUNITIES. AND SO, FINALLY, WE ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT
8 THIS HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH PROCLAMATION TO THE COUNTY'S
9 COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, AND WE PRESENT IT TODAY TO ITS
10 PRESIDENT, SERGIO PAZ, AND TO ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ROBIN
11 TOMA. GENTLEMEN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE CELEBRATE THIS
12 WITH YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR, AND BOARD MEMBERS.
15 JUST YESTERDAY WE HAD A GATHERING OUT IN THE HARBOR GATEWAY
16 WHERE WE WORKED WITH RESIDENTS AND OUR PARTNERS TO RECLAIM
17 THAT NEIGHBORHOOD AND TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE A PLACE
18 TO GATHER AT THE SHELL GREEN CENTER AND TO WORK WITH OTHER
19 MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE A SAFE PLACE
20 TO BE WHERE THEY CAN HAVE A CHANCE TO GET TO SCHOOL, A CHANCE
21 TO LIVE FREE OF DISCRIMINATION. IT'S REALLY ON BEHALF OF THOSE
22 FOLKS, THOSE COURAGEOUS PEOPLE IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD, AND ALL
23 OF THEM, THE COUNTY WORKERS AND CITY WORKERS WHO ALL TR IT IS
24 PATE IN -- PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS WHO REALLY HELP PROMOTE AND

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1 RESPECT AND FULFILL THE HUMAN RITZ THAT EVERYONE DEZERVES. SO
2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THE FACT THAT AS WE PROCLAIM
5 THIS HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH AND JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL COMRADES IN
6 HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROTECTING THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS, THAT I
7 CHALLENGE MY FELLOW ANGELINOS TO TAKE THIS AS A CHALLENGE AND
8 TO TAKE THIS ONE STEP FORWARD RATHER THAN JUST RECEIVING A
9 PROCLAMATION AND SAYING THAT WE SUPPORT HUMAN RIGHTS, THE
10 PRACTICE, THROUGH COMPASSION, THROUGH SHARING JOY, THROUGH
11 SHARING LOVE. AS WE WALK THE HAULS, WHETHER IT'S HERE AT THE
12 COUNTY OFFICES OR IT'S ON THE SIDEWALKS OF OUR STREETS OF
13 L.A., I CHALLENGE EVERY SINGLE ONE OF OUR FELLOW ANGELINOS AND
14 EVERYONE HERE TO GREET EVERYONE ON THE STREET WITH A SMILE OR
15 WITH A SIMPLE HANDSHAKE OR WITH A HUG. AND THANK YOU. MR.
16 CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED THAT WE HAVE THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO CALL FORWARD FIDEL RODRIGUEZ AND THE MEMBERS OF
18 THE BRICKS. THE BRICKS CONSIST OF EIGHT -- GIVE THEM A ROUND
19 OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] THE BRICKS CONSIST OF
20 EIGHT L.A. COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE AGES 16 TO 19 CHOSEN
21 FROM HUNDREDS TO PARTICIPATE IN PROJECT ONE. L.A. COUNTY HUMAN
22 RELATIONS COMMISSION PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ADDRESS CRITICAL
23 SOCIETAL ISSUES AMONG TEENS USING THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE OF
24 MUSIC. THE BRICKS ARE FINE INSPIRATION IN THEIR PERSONAL
25 JOURNEYS AND FROM REAL LIFE EXPERIENCES THAT TODAY'S YOUNG

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1 PEOPLE FACE TO WRITE THEIR OWN LYRICS AND FORMULATE A DISTINCT
2 SOUND THAT BLENDS ROCK, HIP HOP AND SOUL. THE BAND HAS TOURED
3 CAMPUSES AND PROBATION FACILITIES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY
4 PERFORMING THEIR TRACKS AND ENGAGING IN DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER
5 YOUTH ABOUT SOCIAL ISSUES, INCLUDING RACE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION,
6 GENDER, AND PROMOTING ACCEPTANCE AMONG AND FOR EVERYONE. AND
7 SO ON DECEMBER 24TH, THE BRICKS WILL PERFORM A UNIQUEyI
8 RENDITION OF PEACE ON EARTH FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE DOROTHY
9 CHANDLER PAVILION AS A PART OF THE 52ND ANNUAL L.A. COUNTY
10 CELEBRATION. I THINK THAT'S VERY SPECIAL, DON'T YOU? AND SO
11 WE'RE DELIGHTED THEY'RE GOING TO BE PARTICIPATING THERE AND
12 ACCEPTING THE SCROLL ON BEHALF OF FIDEL RODRIGUEZ, A PERSON
13 WHO HAS DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF THROUGHOUT HIS LEADERSHIP AND
14 JOURNEY. SO WE SAY TO FIDEL AND TO THE BRICKS,
15 CONGRATULATIONS. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE LIFE
16 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SPEAKER:** FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
19 FOR HONORING NATIVE AMERICANS PREVIOUSLY. I AM A NATIVE
20 AMERICAN DECENT MYSELF FROM THE CHEW MOSH OF SANTA BARBARA. ON
21 BEHALF OF L.A. COUNTY'S COMMUNITY SERVICES, THE HUMAN
22 RELATIONS COMMISSION, THE ARTS COMMISSION AND NONPROFIT
23 ONENESS AND MARIA, KEVIN, MARCY, LOUIE, ANTHONY, OMARI, AND
24 ALEX WHO MAKE UP THE BRICKS, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
25 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS GREAT

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1 HONOR. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.] I WOULD
2 LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HOW THIS PROJECT
3 OCCURRED. IT WAS ALL ABOUT COLLABORATION. WE COLLABORATED WITH
4 NONPROFITS, PRIVATE BUSINESS, LOS ANGELES MUSIC ACADEMY,
5 GOVERNMENT, AND OF COURSE YOUTH, ALL TO PUT TOGETHER MUSIC
6 THAT WAS SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS, MUSIC THAT ENLIGHTENED, MUSIC
7 THAT EDUCATED, MUSIC THAT INSPIRED NOT ONLY YOUTH BUT THE
8 ADULTS THAT WILL BE LISTENING TO THIS MUSIC. WE FOCUSED ON
9 MUSIC THAT TALKED ABOUT SEXISM, RACISM, ZENNOPHOBIA,
10 HOMELESSNESS, VIOLENCE AGAINST THE HOMELESS, DOMESTIC
11 VIOLENCE, JUVENILE JUSTICE, HITTING MANY TOPICS WITH CREATIVE
12 MUSIC, PAIRED UP WITH MENTORSHIP, MENTORS FROM MANY GRAMMY
13 PRODUCERS, CASEY PORTER, GRAMMY AWARD WINNING PRODUCER, DJ
14 KALIL FROM EM EMIN. AND JD EK EM, PRODUCER -- FROM THE BOYS.
15 AND HUGE COLLABORATION OF MENTORS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THIS
16 MUSIC INDUSTRY ALL WORKING TOWARDS GIVING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE
17 WHAT THEY NEED, ARTS. ART AND MENTORSHIP. SO THE SIGNIFICANCE
18 OF GOVERNMENT COMING TOGETHER WITH PRIVATE BUSINESS WITH THE
19 PUBLIC, IT'S GOING TO TAKE A COLLABORATION TO HELP OUR YOUTH,
20 HELP OUR YOUTH EDUCATE THEMSELVES. BUT ONE MOST IMPORTANTLY
21 WHEN THEY FALL, BE THERE TO HELP PICK THEM UP. THAT'S WHERE
22 MENTORSHIP COMES IN THE FOREFRONT OF THIS. SO WITH THAT BEING
23 SAID, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE NEED FOR MORE ART
24 PROGRAMS AND MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS IN L.A. COUNTY. JUXTAPOSE
25 WITH THE WORK THAT I HAVE DONE WITH THE BRICKS, WHO ARE A

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1 MIXTURE OF NOT ONLY AT-RISK BUT NON-RISK YOUTH, I ALSO WORK
2 WITH YOUNG PEOPLE THAT ARE INCARCERATED, YOUNG PEOPLE THAT
3 HAVE BEEN IN GANGS, I'VE DONE THIS WORK FOR OVER 20 YEARS, AND
4 I KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTORSHIP IN ART. SO I ASK ALL THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE PUBLIC, THAT WE NEED MORE ARTS. WE
6 NEED MORE MENTORSHIP IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IF WE'RE REALLY
7 GOING TO CARE ABOUT THE YOUTH OF LOS ANGELES. AND, LAST, I
8 WOULD LIKE TO REMIND PEOPLE PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO WATCH THE
9 BRICKS AND THE 23 OTHER GROUPS ON CHRISTMAS EVE FROM 3 P.M. TO
10 6 P.M. ON PBS AND ON THE RADIO, IF YOU CAN'T WATCH IT ON TV,
11 90.7, KPFK LOS ANGELES AND KPFK NEW YORK. THANK YOU. HAVE A
12 BEAUTIFUL DAY. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND WE
15 WANT TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE ARTS COMMISSION AND LAURA
16 ZUCKER FOR HER CONTRIBUTION AND PROMOTION OF GROUPS LIKE THIS
17 WHO ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THEIR
18 RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES. BUT BEYOND THAT THE ENTIRETY OF THE
19 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND WE ARE ALL BETTER FOR IT. SO ONCE
20 AGAIN A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THE BRICKS. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO OTHER PRESENTATIONS? I THINK
23 WE'LL PROCEED TO THE AGENDA. LET'S TAKE UP OUR PUBLIC COMMENT
24 ITEMS FIRST. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, YOU'VE ASKED TO BE HEARD ON
25 NO. 1, 52, 53, 54 AND 55. ARNOLD SACHS, PLEASE COME DOWN, MR.

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1 SACHS ON ITEMS 1-D, 1-P, 2-P, 3-P, 6, 8, 12, 13, 17, 32, 33,
2 55-B AND 55-C. ERIC PREVEN ON 3-P, NO. 1, 7, 8, 15, 19, 21,
3 23, 25, 31, 33, 35, 45, 52. EACH OF YOU WILL HAVE THREE
4 MINUTES.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN, I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT
7 FROM DISTRICT 3. I WOULD OF COURSE OBJECT TO SAYING THREE
8 MINUTES ON ALL OF THESE ITEMS BUT I WILL DO MY BEST. ITEM 1 IS
9 THE EXTENSION OF THE TIME LIMITATION FOR STACEY BRACHER WHO IS
10 AN ATTORNEY ON THE COMMISSION FOR HOSPITAL, ONE OF THE
11 HOSPITAL COMMISSIONS. SHE IS JUDGE YOU THE PRAYSIAN WHO IS OUR
12 CITIZEN COMMISSION ON JAILS, I BELIEVE THEY ARE RELATED, I'M
13 NOT SURE, SHE DOES HAVE ATTENDANCE ISSUES SO I'M CURIOUS ABOUT
14 THAT. AMERICA EK BOB WHO IS OUR SPECIAL COUNCIL AND IS
15 REPORTING ON THE JAILS HE IS GETTING AN \$111,000 RAISE SO HE
16 WILL BE TAKING \$354,000 FOR THE YEAR WHICH SEEMS HIGH, TO BE
17 HONEST, E ESPECIALLY GIVE TEN FACT THAT WE'VE HAD STRUGGLES
18 FOLLOWING THOSE RULES. ITEM 8 IS KUDOS TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS FOR FOCUSING ON IMPROVING 7 PERCENT COMPLETION NUMBER
20 FOR THE CAL APPRECIATE APPLICATIONS. I WISH THE SUPERVISORS
21 WERE LISTENING. AND WE SHOULD FOCUS QUICKLY ON GETTING TO
22 ABOUT 60 PERCENT WHICH IS WHERE SAN DIEGO COUNTY IS. AND I
23 KNOW THAT HE IS LEADING THE CHARGE ON THAT. ITEM 15, 16, 17
24 ARE KIND OF LUMPED SUMMED TO VARIOUS REDEVELOPMENT FRIENDS
25 FROM CHRISTMASES PAST. WE HAVE THE GUYS FROM JOSHUA RANCH, MR.

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1 DEALUP LIS FAMILY AND STAN YASMINE FROM THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC
2 POLICY AT USC WE CAN GET A GO TROJANS GOING THERE. TMP TOM SAN
3 WHO PREVIOUSLY SAID BUY INTO FEAR, SELL INTO GREED. HE WASN'T
4 THE ONE WHO ORIGINATED THAT REPRARK BUT HE CERTAINLY DID SAY
5 IT. MORE LA SARAH NEGOTIATIONS. WE ARE BEING ADVISED BY THE
6 BUCKS CONSULTING GROUP AND THE PERCENTER CONSULTING GROUP.
7 BUCK IS ALLTUALLY A XEROX COULD I WHICH I DIDN'T KNOW. TO COME
8 UP WITH 37 MILLION TO BASICALLY COVER THE \$90 POSSIBLE CHARGE
9 THAT WOULD BE DID YOU FOR MEDI-CAL PART B REIMBURSEMENT THERE.
10 I DON'T KNOW. ITEM 20 IS THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND 21 AND 22,
11 THOSE THREE ITEMS REPRESENT ABOUT \$65,000 IN MONTHLY COUNTY
12 COUNSEL CHARGES, WHICH OF COURSE LEAD TO ITEM 52, 53 AND 54
13 WHICH HAVE BEEN CONTINUED TO JANUARY 17TH BUT DEAL WITH, WELL,
14 SADLY, THE DISMAL COUNTY RISK STATISTICS. AND WELL GET INTO
15 THAT IN GREAT DETAIL, BUT SUFFICE TO SAY WE ARE NOW SPENDING
16 \$\$50 MILLION IN COUNTY RISK WHICH IS UP SINCE LAST YEAR. THE
17 LEGAL FEZ ARE UP TO 107 MILLION. GUYS, THESE ARE BIG NUMBERS.
18 LAST YEAR IT WAS 94. WE MUST, MUST GET CONTROL OF THAT. ITEM
19 31 IS GOLF UPCHARGES GOING FORWARD. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A
20 LITTLE MORE FROM OUR CONTRACTS WITH THOSE GUYS. BUD I'D LIKE
21 MORE INFORMATION THERE. HOLLYWOOD BOWL ITEM 33 GETS TO THE
22 THIRD DISTRICT PRIORITY. WE ARE UPGRADING THE REST ROOMS AT
23 HOLLYWOOD BOWL FINALLY AND I DO SUPPORT THAT ONE. BUT 3
24 MILLION DOES SEEM LIKE A LOT FOR A BATHROOM REMODEL, I DON'T
25 KNOW. ITEM NO. 35 POINTS TO GOURDIAN GROUP ONE OF MY

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1 FAVORITES. THIS IS A GROUP THAT'S TAKING 90,000 OUT OF 45
2 MILLION TO DO THE COST ESTIMATING. IT'S CALLED JOB ORDER
3 CONTRACTING. GUYS, WE'VE ALL LOOKED AT THIS TOGETHER. 90 GRAND
4 GOES TO THESE GUYS.

5

6 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TIME IS UP. FINISH YOUR SENTENCE
7 BUT I'M GOING TO CUT YOU OFF.

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** I'LL FINISH MY SENTENCE THAT APPLE 1 IS BACK FOR
10 PROBATION TO DO SOME CONSULTING CLERICAL SERVICES.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANKS. DR.
13 CLAVREUL?

14

15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD EVENING. DR. JEN VEV CLAVREUL. ON
16 ITEM 1, ON THE APPOINTMENT OF STACEY BRADSHAW TO THE HOSPITAL
17 COMMISSION, SHE ALMOST NEVER COME TO THE MEETINGS. SHE HAS
18 BEEN ABSENT FOR QUITE SOMETIME. SHE ALSO HAS BEEN VIOLATING
19 EPA SHE SHOW MY MEDICAL INFORMATION WITH SOMEBODY ELSE WITHOUT
20 MY PERMISSION. I AM QUITE UPSET ABOUT THAT. AND ALSO DEALING
21 WITH 52, 53 AND 54, WHICH IS DEALING WITH RISK MANAGEMENT. I
22 THINK, YOU KNOW, THAT IT WOULD BE CONCERN TO ME ESPECIALLY
23 LAST WEEK CLAIM WITHIN THE COUNTY HAVING TO DO WITH MISS
24 MOLINA LIBEL AND SLANDER OF ME. I RECEIVE A RESPONSE OF THINGS
25 THAT I COULD NOT FILE BECAUSE [INAUDIBLE] WHICH IS TOTALLY NOT

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1 TRUE BECAUSE I WAS NOT MAKING A CLAIM FOR PHYSICAL HARM. I
2 RECEIVE A LETTER ADDRESSED TO ME ANOTHER IS TO SOMEBODY ELSE
3 IN ANOTHER PART. AGAIN A VIOLATION FOR ANOTHER LAWSUIT BECAUSE
4 MY NAME IS NOT [INAUDIBLE] SO THAT WILL PROBABLY EXPLAIN WHY
5 I'M ONLY GIVING SIX MONTHS OR ONE YEAR CODE. SO I WILL HIGHLY
6 THINK INCREASE YOUR RISK MANAGEMENT BIG TIME. AND ALSO TALKING
7 ABOUT RISK MANAGEMENT, YOUR CONTRACT WITH [INAUDIBLE] AND I
8 KNOW YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT ISSUE MANY TIMES THAT SOMEBODY WAS
9 FAR FROM [INAUDIBLE] ONE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES WAS FIRED. THIS
10 BECAUSE SHE EMBARRASSED THE COUNTY. AND I HAD ASKED PERMISSION
11 TO LOOK AT THE DOCUMENTATION OF THE SCAN AND FINALLY AFTER TWO
12 MONTHS I RECEIVED PERMISSION TO LOOK AT THE DOCUMENT. THEY
13 HAVE PLENTY TIME TO BLACK OUT THE NAMES. AND UNDER MY ADVICE I
14 HAVE PEOPLE WHO GOT FIRED FOR SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND SO ON AND
15 I GOT A LETTER FROM THE OWNER FROM MEDISCAN ASKING THAT NO
16 LONGER SEXUAL HARASSMENT RECORDED AND I GET A LETTER FROM
17 SCHUNHOFF SAYING THAT WE NO LONGER BE KEPT RECORD OF AND WILL
18 BE OKAY WITH YOU GUYS TO KEEP PEOPLE WITH THEIR SEXUAL
19 HARASSMENT WORKING FOR YOU, SO I THINK YOUR RISK MANAGEMENT
20 MIGHT GO UP.

21

22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. MR. SACHS.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS.

25 QUITE THE MEETING ON THURSDAY AT THE BOARD, HUH? FELT LIKE A

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1 CHARACTER FROM MR. ROBERTS WHEN HE PULLED THE PALM TREE OUT OF
2 THROWING IT IN THE OCEAN. WHOEVER DID THAT AT THE BOARD, BE
3 CHARGED WITH POLLUTION. ANYWAY, ANYWAY, THAT BEING SAID, DID
4 YOU ACTUALLY SAY THIS AT THAT BOARD MEETING, MR. COUNCILMAN,
5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS? I FIND IT, FRANKLY, RATHER
6 EMBARRASSING THAT THE FTA HAS TO REACH IN AND SAY GET YOURF
7 HOUSE IN ORDER AT METRO, YOU SAID THAT AT METRO, GET YOUR
8 HOUSE IN ORDER? I CAN'T BELIEVE IT. HOW ABOUT THIS ARTICLE
9 FROM THE TIMES, 12/16/11. CORRUPTION IN BULLET TRAIN
10 CORRUPTION ALLEGED? CORRUPTION IN A TRANSIT AGENCY? MR. SACHS,
11 YOU NEED TO SPEAK ON THE ITEMS YOU SIGNED UP FOR.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** I SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

14

15 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU WILL HAVE YOUR OPPORTUNITY
16 AT PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE END OF THE MEETING.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE RULES ARE.

19

20 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO
21 SPEAK ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** PUBLIC COMMENT IS ON THE AGENDA.

24

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC COMMENT KEEP THE CLOCK
2 RUNNING. I AM NOT GOING TO ARGUE WITH YOU. PLEASE KEEP THE
3 CLOCK RUNNING. STICK TO THE AGENDA.

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IF IT'S MY TIME, THEN WHY ARE YOU TALKING? I
6 MEAN SERIOUSLY. II WILL STICK TO THE AN AGENDA. OKAY STICK TO
7 THE AGENDA. ITEM 1-D, I HELD, CONGRATULATIONS. YOU'RE TAKING
8 \$28,000 IN UNEXPENDED COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS ORIGINALLY GRANTED
9 TO THE UNITED STATES VETERAN INITIATIVE. SO THE VETS HAVE
10 UNEXPENDED FUNDS AVAILABLE AND YET THE COUNTY HAS OVER 2 POINT
11 -- 1.775 MILLION IN COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AND 1.416 MILLION IN
12 CITY EXCESS FUNDS FOR PARKS, BUT YOU'RE TAKING FUNDS FROM THE
13 VETS. EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PUBLIC WHEN YOU HAVE A CHANCE
14 BECAUSE I'M SURE THEY'LL WANT TO KNOW WHY THE VETS DON'T HAVE
15 A PROBLEM WITH ANY MONEY AND YOU HAVE EVERYTHING FUNDED THERE.
16 ITEM NO. 6 EXPLAINS FIVE SIGNATURE LETTER WHICH EVENTUALLY
17 YOU'LL HAVE TO DROP IN THE MAILBOX. I HAVE ANOTHER PLACE WHERE
18 YOU COULD PUT THAT LETTER. ITEM 12 IS AN MOU BETWEEN THE
19 COUNTY AND THE SUPERIOR COURT ON THE VIOLATIONS OF VEHICLE
20 CODE. WHY DON'T YOU TALK TO THE SUPERIOR CODE ABOUT THE RED
21 LIGHT CAMERAS? SEEMS LIKE L.A. COUNTCY ONE OF THE FEW COUNTIES
22 IN THE STATE THAT DOESN'T UPHOLD THE RED LIGHTS. SAN DIEGO
23 COUNTY DOES. AND COUNTY DOES. SO WHY DOESN'T THE COUNTY BOARD
24 OF SUPERVISORS. OH I KNOW BECAUSE YOU'RE PAYING THE JUDGES \$48
25 MILLION EXTRA ON TOP OF THEIR SALARY. CAN'T TALK ABOUT THAT.

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1 ITEM NO. 13, BOARD ADOPTS POLICIES TO EXTEND LAW. IN THIS
2 EDITORIAL, USING LAURA'S LAW FROM THE BREEZE ON 12/5 THE L.A.
3 COUNTY BOARD HAS A PROGRAM THAT HAS 10 PEOPLE,
4 CONGRATULATIONS. 10 PEOPLE. WHOOP DI DO. ITEM NO. 56-C,
5 TRUTHFUL ADVERTISEMENT AND 56-B, ABOUT THE TRUTH? YOU CAN'T
6 HANDLE THE TRUTH.

7

8 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OH, I'M SORRY. DANIEL
9 GARCIA? DANIEL GARCIA HERE? OKAY. ON ITEM 6 AND 26.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HAPPY HOLIDAYS FOR EVERYBODY. NUMBER 6. I REALLY WANT
12 TO KNOW IF [INAUDIBLE] IMPLEMENTATIONS OF 138 WOULD YOU PLEASE
13 MAKE IT SO THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES CAN GET ACCESS TO BY
14 THE WAY THAT THE STREETS ARE DONE? MAIN CONCERN IS THAT
15 DISREGARD THROUGH THE ADA OR [INAUDIBLE] THAT'S MY MAIN
16 CONCERN. AND ALSO IF YOU'RE WONDERING WHO WERE ALL DRIVERS,
17 HOW ABOUT ALSO FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES CAN GET IN AND OUT
18 OF THEIR CARS AND EASY WAY OUT. AND PUT IN EMERGENCY
19 PREPAREDNESS SITUATION. DO YOU WANT ME TO CONTINUE? PLEASE.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** MY NEXT ONE WAS 26. MY MAIN CONCERN IS HOUSING
22 PROGRAM, GOING TO BE A HOME, IS IT GOING TO BE FOR PEOPLE WITH
23 DISABILITIES OR NOT? BECAUSE IF YOU ADD ONE TO PLANS AT ALL IT
24 DOESN'T MEAN FOR EVERYBODY. JUST FOR FAMILIES, FOR PEOPLE THAT
25 ARE NOT DISABLED BUT ALSO MANY PEOPLE ALSO DISABLED FAMILIES

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1 WHO CAN NOT -- DISABILITY. MY MAIN CONCERN ABOUT THIS ONE. AND
2 WELL CONTINUE ON ON PUBLIC COMMENT?

3

4 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S LATER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
5 MR. GARCIA.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU, TOO. MR.
10 LISLE TALBOT?

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** FROM LANCASTER?

13

14 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** FROM LANCASTER. DO WE HAVE
15 LANCASTER? HE'S NOT IN LANCASTER.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** NO SPEAKERS IN LANCASTER.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. HE'S HERE.

20

21 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE'S HERE? GOOD MORNING.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I CAME TO SPEAK ABOUT THE ROAD TO HELL. HIGHWAY 138.
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, PRESENTING YOU WITH AN IDEA TO PUT ON
25 SPARKLING LIGHTS ON THIS HIGHWAY SAFETY SIGNS OUT THERE. I

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1 HOPE YOU ARE IN AGREEMENT IT'S BEEN A PROJECT I WORKED ON WITH
2 THE SUPERVISOR FOR ABOUT 30 YEARS. YOU KNOW, A LOT OF YOUR
3 FAMILIES PROBABLY GO TO MAMMOTH OR GO TO LAS VEGAS. SO YOUR
4 LIVES ARE AFFECTED, TOO, AND YOUR FAMILY SITUATIONS. SO
5 ANYTHING WE CAN DO OUT THERE TO MAKE THIS A BETTER PLACE TO
6 DRIVE, I URGE YOU TO CONTACT THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNADINO
7 OFFICIALS AND REQUEST A REVIEW OF THIS SIGNAGE CLEAR OUT TO
8 THE I-15 IN THEIR COUNTY. SIX CARS, SIX INJURED. THIS ACCIDENT
9 HAPPENED WHEN SAN BERNADINO COUNTY DIDN'T WANT TO JOIN L.A.
10 COUNTY IN THE DAYTIME HEAD LIGHT PROGRAM. SEVERAL MONTHS
11 LATER, THEY HAD AN ACCIDENT THAT KILLED FIVE, INJURED SIX, AND
12 THERE WERE SIX CARS INVOLVED IN A HEAD-ON SITUATION. SO IF 6-
13 6-6 REPRESENTS EVIL, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A REAL EVIL HIGHWAY
14 OUT THERE. THE 1991 COST FOR THE SIGNS WAS \$5500. THAT'S CHUMP
15 CHANGE. WOULDN'T EVEN COVER AN ATTORNEY'S RETAINER FEE. MY
16 DAUGHTER NEARLY WAS KILLED OUT THERE OVER 20 YEARS AGO. SOME
17 GUY ASKED ME ONE TIME, I FORGOT TO TURN MY HEADLIGHTS OFF AND
18 I GOT A DEAD BATTERY. I SAID ISN'T THAT BETTER THAN A DEAD
19 FAMILY MEMBER? AND SOMEBODY ELSE ASKED ME HOW MANY LIVES DO
20 YOU THINK YOU PREVENTED WITH THIS PROGRAM, YOU AND THE
21 SUPERVISOR? I SAID THEY DON'T KEEP TRACK IN STATISTICS ON
22 ACCIDENTS THAT DON'T HAPPEN. SO, IT'S AN UNTOLD NUMBER. SO I'M
23 HERE TO SUPPORT THE SUPERVISOR'S MOTION AND RESPECTFULLY YOU
24 ALL HAVE A PART IN IT IN YOUR FAMILIES INVOLVED, NOT JUST THE
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY IN LANCASTER. THANKS AGAIN.

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2 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. TALBOT. MR.

3 CHAIRMAN, THIS IS THE LAST SPEAKER FOR THE MOMENT. IF WE COULD

4 GET APPROVAL ON ITEM NO. 1-D, 1-P, 2-P, 3-P, 1, 6, 15, 17, 19,

5 21, 23, 25, 32, 33, 35, ON ITEMS NO. 52, 53, 54, CONTINUE

6 THOSE ITEMS TO JANUARY 17, 2012 AND ITEM 55-C?

7

8 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY

9 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ON ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

12 THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. BUT IF

13 WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON THAT ITEM?

14

15 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY MOLINA. SECONDED BY KNABE.

16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GREAT, THANK YOU. AND YOUR DISTRICT IS UP

19 FIRST FOR ADJOURNMENTS.

20

21 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAD SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS MEMBERS

22 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE FIRST CZECH REPUBLIC,

23 WRITER AND DISSIDENT AND POLITICAL ACTIVIST WHO PASSED AWAY AT

24 THE AGE OF 75. HE WAS ONE OF THE TO YOU WEFERRING FIGURES OF

25 THE STREET PROTEST MOVEMENT THAT HELPED PRESIP TATE THE

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1 COLLAPSE OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION. LED TO HIS ROLE AS KEY
2 NEGOTIATOR THE SCOPE OF BEHIND THE SCENES DEALINGS WITH
3 COMMUNIST USHERED HIM THE VELVET REVOLUTION FROM THE
4 AUTHORITARIAN TO A FULL PLEDGED DEMOCRACY ALIGNED WITH THE
5 WEST. HE FIRST CAME TO PROMINENCE IN THE MID 1960S THROUGH THE
6 WRITERS' UNION WHOSE MEMBERS HELPED SHAPE AND ARTICULATE A
7 DEVELOPING CONSCIOUSNESS OF DISSENT AND OPPOSITION TO
8 COMMUNIST RULE. HE WAS ONE OF THOSE WHO ARGUED THAT COMMUNISM
9 COULD NEVER BE MODERATED OR TONED DOWN, BUT BY DEFINITION IT
10 WAS AN INTOLLERRABLY REPRESSIVE SYSTEM THAT COULD ONLY BE
11 REPLACED BY DEMOCRACY. HE WENT ON TO HELP FOUND CHARTER 77 A
12 MOVEMENT ADVOCATING FOR THE HUMAN RITZ SPELLED OUT IN THE 1975
13 HELSINKI AN CORDS WHICH HAD BEEN CONSIDERED A LANDMARK TREATY
14 WHEN EAST AND WEST. HIS ACTIVITIES EARNED HIM REPEATED ARRESTS
15 AND INCARCERATION OVER THE FOLLOWING DECADE AT GREAT COULD SAY
16 TO THE HIS HEALTH. HIS WIFE OF 31 YEARS OLGA DIED OF CANCER IN
17 1996. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SECOND WIFE, DAGMAR AND A BROTHER
18 I HAVE IVAN. HIS WIFE DAGMAR, WAS HERE I THINK EIGHT OR NINE
19 YEARS AGO AND VISITED THIS COUNTY. SHE AND I HAD THE PRIVILEGE
20 OF MEETING HER, MAKING A PRESENTATION TO HER. AND I THINK
21 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU MAY HAVE BEEN ON THE CITY COUNCIL,
22 THEN, TOO, IN THE EARLY 1990S, HE MADE A VISIT TO LOS ANGELES
23 AND CAME TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF LOS ANGELES AND MADE A VERY
24 ELOQUENT SPEECH. I BROUGHT TWO OF HIS BOOKS. I READ ALMOST
25 EVERYTHING HE'S EVER WRITTEN. FOR HIM TO SIGN. AND HE WAS

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1 GENUINELY AMAZED THAT A CITY COUNCILMAN OF LOS ANGELES WOULD
2 HAVE, AS HE PUT IT, "TIME TO READ MY BOOKS." HE WAS A GREAT
3 MAN AND WITH TIME HIS GREATNESS WILL EVEN BE GREATER
4 APPRECIATED. ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN ON THAT ONE. CHRISTOPHER
5 HITCHENS PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK A PROLIFIC ESSAYIST AND AUTHOR
6 KNOWN FOR HIS SHARP POL EM CAL STYLE DID AT THE AGE OF 62
7 AFTER AN 18-MONTH BATTLE WITH ESOPHAGEAL CANCER. HE WAS BORN
8 IN ENGLAND, IS ONE OF TWO SONS OF A NAVAL OFFICER AND HIS WIFE
9 SCHOOLED IN OXFORD AND BECAME ACTIVE IN SOCIALIST POLITICS AND
10 FIRST MET A FUTURE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES NAMED BILL
11 CLINTON STUDENT OF OXFORD AS WELL. HE WAS A REPORTER AND
12 POLITICAL JOURNALIST IN ENGLAND BUT IN 1981 RELOCATED
13 PERMANENTLY TO THE UNITED STATES WHERE HE EVENTUALLY OBTAINED
14 CITIZENSHIP, AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP. DURING THE 90S, OUTRAGED BY
15 THE FAT WHAT OR RELIGIOUS DEATH SENTENCE AGAINST HIS FRIEND
16 ROSHTY FOR ALLEGED HER E CIES AGAINST ISLAM. HE BECAME
17 INCREASINGLY ALARMED BY SOME OF THE RADICALS IN THAT PART OF
18 THE WORLD AND ITS TERRORIST ADHERENCE. HIS BREAK WITH MUCH OF
19 THE TRADITIONAL LEFT WAS CEMENTED AFTER THE 9/11 ATTACKS WHEN
20 HE CONDEMNED THE MENACE THAT CAUSED THE ATTACKS AND
21 AGGRESSIVELY SUPPORTED THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION'S AFGHANISTAN
22 AND IRAQ WAR POLICIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CAROL BLUE,
23 THEIR DAUGHTER, ANTONIA, TWO CHILDREN FROM A PREVIOUS
24 MARRIAGE, ALEXANDER AND SOPHIA AND A BROTHER PETER. MARTSDZY
25 FACTOR, A LODGE TIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT AND PACIFIC

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1 PALISADES, HABE DASHER AND SIGNIFICANT PATRON OF THE ARTS IN A
2 MERCHANT POST WAR LOS ANGELES PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. HE
3 WAS BORN IN ST. LOUIS, WAS A NEPHEW OF THE LEGENDARY MAKEUP
4 ENTREPRENEUR MAX FACTOR AND MOVED WITH HIS FAMILY TO L.A. IN
5 THE 1920S. AFTER SERVING WORLD WORLD WAR IN THE NAVY WHERE HE
6 SAW ACTION DURING THE NORMANDY INVASION, HE RETURNED TO LOS
7 ANGELES AND SOON OPENED A SMALL MEN'S STORE IN BEV EARLY HILLS
8 WHICH HIS FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS.
9 EARLY FASCINATION WITH MODERN ART INSPIRED HIM TO BEGIN WHAT
10 BECAME A SUBSTANTIAL ART COLLISION WHICH AMASSED IN PART BUY
11 TRADING FINE CLOTHING TO SUCH ARTISTS AS ED KEEN HOLTZ AND
12 OTHERS IN RETURN FOR THEIR ART WORKS, MANY OF WHICH CAN NOW BE
13 FOUND IN THE COLLECTIONS OF THE 4R6789 A. COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART
14 AND OTHER MUSEUMS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER DIANE AND
15 SON TOM, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. LAUREN
16 MILLER, JR., A RETIRED JUDGE OF LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT WHO
17 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. HE WAS A GRANDSON OF A SLAVE AND
18 SON OF CELEBRATED CIVIL RIGHTS ATTORNEY LAUREN SR. WHO
19 SUCCESSFULLY ARGUED IN THE LANDMARK 1947 CASE STRIKING DOWN
20 RESTRICTIVE HOUSING COVENANTS. GRADUATE OF LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL,
21 HE SERVED FOR SIX YEARS AS A DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND
22 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CIVIL RIGHTS AND TAX
23 DIVISIONS LATER WORKING FOR THE WESTERN CENTER FOR LAW AND
24 POVERTY AND IN PRIVATE PRACTICE BEFORE HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE
25 MUNICIPAL COURT BENCH BY GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN IN 1975. HE IS

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1 SURVIVED BY A DAUGHTER ROBIN MIMMER SLOAN WHO CARRIES ON THE
2 FAMILY TRADITION AS A THIRD GENERATION JUDGE IN THE LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT. AND FINALLY MARVIN SOL, A
4 LEGEND IN MY PART OF TOWN, RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT FOR MANY
5 YEARS, FOUNDER AND OWNER OF JUNIOR'S DELICATESSAN WHO RECENTLY
6 DIED OF A HEART ATTACK AT THE AGE OF 82 IN HIS HOME IN ENCINO.
7 MARVIN WAS BORN AND RAISED IN ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY, AS A
8 SON MUCH RESTAURANT YOU ARES, HE SERVED WITH THE AIR FORCE IN
9 THE KOREAN WAR AND HEADED WEST HOPING TO STRIKE IT RICH AS A
10 URANIUM MINER IN UTAH. WHEN THAT DIDN'T WORK OUT, HE CAME TO
11 LOS ANGELES AND RETURNED TO THE FAMILY BUSINESS WORKING ODD
12 JOBS TO FUND THE LAUNCH OF A SMALL SANDWICH SHOP. SELLING THE
13 SHOP FOR A SMALL PROFIT A YEAR LATER, HE LEARNED THE DELI
14 TRADE WORKING A CAN'TER'S AND ASSEMBLED THE FINANCING FOR THE
15 FIRST INCARNATION OF JUNIOR'S ON PICO BOULEVARD WHICH OPENED
16 IN 1959. RELOCATING IN 1967 TO ITS PRESENT LOCATION ON
17 WESTWOOD BOULEVARD, JUNIOR'S BECAME ONE OF THE COMMUNITY'S
18 MOST POPULAR AND BEST KNOWN DELIS, TODAY OPERATED BY HIS TWO
19 SONS, DAVID AND JOHN. WITH HIS WIFE OF 52 YEARS, BETTY, THEY
20 SURVIVED HIM ALONG WITH FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. JUNIOR'S REMAINS
21 ONE OF THE HIGHEST GROSSING RESTAURANTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
22 ANGELES. MARVIN WAS A GREAT COMMUNITY ACTIVIST, ACTIVE IN THE
23 RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, ACTIVE IN THE WESTWOOD COMMUNITY. HE
24 WAS A GREAT FRIEND OF A LOT OF US WHO REPRESENT THAT AREA.
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ALL THOSE. I WAS HOLDING

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1 NO. 12. ACTUALLY MY PURPOSE IN HOLDING NO. 12 WAS TO PUT IT
2 OVER TILL JANUARY 31ST. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU WERE ALSO
3 HOLDING IT. THIS IS ON THE AMNESTY ISSUE. AND I'M SUGGESTING
4 WE PUT THAT OVER TILL JANUARY 31ST. WITHOUT OBJECTION, DO WE
5 HAVE ANYBODY? EVERYBODY WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC
6 WAS HEARD ON THIS, CORRECT? JANUARY 31ST. AND THE REASON FOR
7 THAT IS I ANTICIPATE THAT BETWEEN NOW AND THEN THE CALIFORNIA
8 JUDICIAL COUNCIL WILL HAVE HAD ITS NEXT MEETING AND I'M
9 ANTICIPATING THAT SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED LAST
10 WEEK AT OUR MEETING WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
11 AT THE MEETING BEFORE THE 31ST AND WE'LL HAVE BETTER
12 INFORMATION ON WHERE WE GO FROM THERE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT
13 WILL BE THE ORDER. 55-F. THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENT
14 HERE? PROBATION? PARDON? OKAY. WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, LET ME
15 JUST SAY WHY I HELD IT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S AN RFP,
16 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, THAT'S GOING TO BE ISSUED FOR THIS
17 FUNCTION. THIS IS A SOLE SOURCE \$4.2 MILLION CONTRACT THAT I
18 UNDERSTAND NEEDS TO BE DONE BECAUSE OF THE -- CAL, ARE YOU
19 HERE ON THIS? WHY DON'T YOU COME UP HERE? I'M NOT OBJECTING TO
20 THE -- AS MUCH AS IT'S HARD TO SWALLOW, THE SOLE SOURCE
21 CONTRACT BECAUSE IT'S GOT TO MOVE BECAUSE THE DEMAND PER THEIR
22 SERVICES IS UPON US, BUT WHAT BOTHERED ME WAS THAT THERE'S A
23 PROVISION IN THIS CONTRACT THAT ALLOWS FOR A ONE-YEAR ROLLOVER
24 AFTER THE INITIAL -- WHAT IS THE INITIAL PERIOD HERE? SIX
25 MONTHS?

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** GO THROUGH THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR.

3

4 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO ANOTHER SIX MONTHS. AND AFTER
5 THAT, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT UNDER THIS CONTRACT TO ROLL IT OVER
6 FOR ANOTHER, TO EXTEND IT FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** IF NEED BE.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO SUGGEST,
11 I GOT IT. LET ME JUST -- TELL ME TO CUT TO THE CHASE IF YOU
12 HAVE A PROBLEM THAT IF WE DO NEED TO CONTINUE IT, EXTEND THE
13 CONTRACT, THAT WE DO IT IN 90-DAY INCREMENTS AFTER JUNE 30TH
14 OF 2012. WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO GO OUT WITH THE RFP ON THIS?
15 FOR THIS SERVICE?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING THOSE RFPs OUT NOW.
18 WE'RE CONCERNED THAT IT COULD TAKE NINE TO 12 MONTHS. AND
19 THAT'S WHY THE REQUEST TO ALLOW THAT TO ROLL OVER. BUT
20 CERTAINLY, MR. CHAIR, IF YOU'D LIKE TO HAVE THAT 90-DAY
21 INCREMENTS, WE COULD DO THAT.

22

23 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE'LL RE-VISIT THIS SOMETIME IN
24 JUNE AND SEE WHERE YOU ARE. BECAUSE I'LL MOVE -- MR. KNABE,
25 LET ME JUST PUT THAT ON THE TABLE.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS. I'M OKAY WITH
3 THAT.

4

5 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THAT WILL BE THE AMENDMENT ON
6 THE TABLE. MR. KNABE?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** IF WE LOOK AT THE PRELIMINARY NUMBERS THAT WE'RE
9 GETTING BACK ON THE PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM YOU ALL AND CEO,
10 IT DOES SEEM LIKE AN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF MONEY WHETHER THEY'LL
11 BE ABLE TO UTILIZE ALL THAT MONEY, THE NUMBERS AREN'T AS
12 GREAT, RIGHT, AS I UNDERSTAND IT?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** RIGHT. AND WE'RE NOT SURE, SUPERVISOR, WE JUST WANT
15 TO ENSURE WE HAD ENOUGH TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES THROUGHOUT --

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THE EARLY RELEASE, A LOT OF FOLKS ARE NOT
18 TAKING UP THESE SERVICES, DO WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO ADJUST THE
19 SIZE OF THIS AWARD? I WOULD ASSUME BY THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
20 YOU'RE ASKING FOR THAT YOU'RE ANTICIPATING EVERYBODY OF THE
21 A.B.109 WILL TAKE CARE OF THE SERVICES, AND THAT CERTAINLY HAS
22 NOT BEEN THE CASE THUS FAR?

23

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1 **SPEAKER:** NO, AND WE REALLY DON'T EXPECT THAT. WE DON'T EXPECT
2 THAT. AND OF COURSE SOME OF THE PAROLEES WILL ABSORB AND NEED
3 MORE OF THOSE FUNDS THAN OTHERS.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. I MEAN, THAT'S JUST THE NATURE
6 OF THE BEAST. BUT I WOULD JUST -- YOU KNOW, THESE DOLLARS
7 WOULD BE ROLLED OUT AS NEEDED, CORRECT? AND NOT JUST A LUMP
8 SUM BEING GIVEN TO A CONTRACTOR.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** BUT IT WILL BE FEE FOR SERVICE, SUPERVISOR. SO IF THE
11 SERVICES WEREN'T ACCESSED AT ALL, WE DON'T SPEND ANY MONEY.
12 CERTAINLY THAT'S NOT GOING TO BE THE CASE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT GOING TO BE THE CASE. BUT CERTAINLY EARLY
15 ON THESE FOLKS ARE NOT ASKING FOR THE SERVICE. OKAY. MR.
16 CHAIR?

17

18 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ONE SECOND. ARE YOU DONE?
19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** MY QUESTION IS ON THIS, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY AN
22 RFP WOULD TAKE NINE MONTHS TO A YEAR. WHY CAN'T SOMEBODY WRITE
23 IT IN 30 DAYS?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, I'VE ASKED THAT SAME QUESTION. BUT IT
2 JUST --

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** FIND ONE PERSON, COME ON. WE SAID WE WERE GOING
5 TO CHANGE PROBATION. AND YOU GUYS ARE DOING THE SAME THING.
6 AND NOT EVEN ABLE TO EXPLAIN TO ME WHY IT TAKES THAT LONG.
7 THEY AUTHORED LEGISLATION AND PUT THIS PROGRAM IN OUR LAP
8 WITHIN THREE MONTHS, OKAY? SO I'D LIKE AN RFP TO BE WRITTEN.
9 AND I UNDERSTAND IT COULD BE OUT FOR 30 DAYS OR EVEN 60 DAYS.
10 AND IT MIGHT TAKE ANOTHER 30 DAYS TO ASSESS IT. BUT 90 DAYS IS
11 ALL YOU SHOULD TAKE TO DO THIS.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD CLARIFY, THE ACTUAL RFP WILL
14 BE WRITTEN AND RELEASED IN THE NEXT 45 TO 60 DAYS.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. BUT WHY CAN'T IT BE WRITTEN AND RELEASED
17 IN 30 DAYS?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** MA'AM?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT IS SLOWING THIS THING DOWN? IT'S STANDARD, I
22 KNOW WHAT STANDARD IS. I'M JUST SAYING THIS SHOULDN'T BE
23 STANDARD.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** WE CAN EXPEDITE IT ON OUR SIDE, MISS MOLINA, AND
2 WE'LL DO THAT. WE'LL PROVIDE THE RESOURCES. WELL DO OUR
3 PORTION OF THE RFP AND HAVE IT READY FOR --

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THEN IT GOES TO WHO?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE IT HAS TO GO AND BE REVIEWED BY COUNSEL.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT SHOULD TAKE?

10

11 **ANDREA ORDIN:** AND WE WILL COMMIT TO EXPEDITING THIS ONE, AS
12 WELL.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** TWO WEEKS, MAYBE?

15

16 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK TWO WEEKS IS GOOD.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** GOOD. I'M SORRY? WELL, THE THING IS THEY'RE
19 TAKING 30 DAYS TO WRITE IT, OKAY? NOW IT'S GOT TWO WEEKS IN
20 COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW. THEN IT GOES WHERE?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** RISK MANAGEMENT HAS TO REVIEW IT AS WELL.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN THEY REVIEW IT AT THE SAME TIME THAT COUNTY
25 COUNSEL IS REVIEWING IT?

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2 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO COORDINATE. I
3 HAVE TO LOOK AT THE NUMBERS, TOO. IT COULD BE THE ONE THAT THE
4 SECOND OPINION FROM OUTSIDE COUNSEL. BUT WE COULD PUT IT ON A
5 FAST TRACK.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE NEED OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO REVIEW A SIMPLE?

8

9 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IF IT IS A SIMPLE ONE.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** -- RFP FOR SECURING HOMELESS SHELTER BEDS, OKAY?
12 FOR A VERY DISTINCT POPULATION.

13

14 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE HAVE A SPECIFIC POLICY FOR CONTRACTS OVER A
15 CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR RFPs, IF THIS HAPPENS TO FALL INTO
16 THAT, WE WOULD NEED TO, FOR RISK MANAGEMENT PURPOSES, HAVE
17 OUTSIDE COUNSEL. WE'LL CHECK. IF IT IS THAT KIND OF CONTRACT,
18 WE'LL GET THEM ABOARD IMMEDIATELY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO MOST
21 FOLKS FOR SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE AS SIMPLE AS THIS IS? SO
22 I'M JUST ASKING YOU THAT THERE'S NO REASON THAT WITHIN 90 DAYS
23 YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE AN RFP OUT AND READY TO BE ASSESSED.
24 THERE'S JUST NO REASON. I MEAN IF YOU CAN TELL ME WHAT THAT
25 REASON COULD BE, I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IT IS.

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** MISS MOW LEN AN, I WILL -- MS. MOLINA, WE WILL DO
3 EVERYTHING WE CAN ON THE PROBATION SIDE TO DO EXACTLY THAT.
4 AND IF WE DO ENCOUNTER OBSTACLES --

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHEN IT LEAVES YOUR OFFICES, CAN YOU CONTACT
7 ME?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY. IF WE
10 ENCOUNTER OBSTACLES THAT WE THINK ARE GOING TO DELAY THAT
11 PROCESS, THAT WE CAN'T GET THROUGH, WE'LL CERTAINLY TO THE
12 BOARD OF THAT.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE ONCE THEY FINISH THAT PROCESS, IT GETS
15 ISSUED; RIGHT? DO YOU ISSUE IT? OR WHO ISSUES IT?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. I'M NOT SURE WITH L.A.'S
18 PROCESS ON THAT.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** WE ACTUALLY ISSUE IT, SUPERVISOR.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT GOES BACK TO YOU GUYS.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** YES. WE'RE THE ONES WHO ACTUALLY ISSUE IT AND MAKE IT
25 AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO --

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1

2 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW LONG DO YOU THINK YOU'LL HAVE IT OUT ON THE
3 COMMUNITY?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** WE COULD EXPEDITE THAT PROCESS, AS WELL. GENERALLY
6 ANYWHERE BETWEEN ANOTHER POSSIBLE TWO WEEKS TO 30 DAYS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** 30 DAYS IS MORE ENOUGH. THAN IT CAN COME BACK AND
9 YOU CAN EVALUATE IT IN TWO WEEKS, RIGHT?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** YES, WE CAN DO THE EVALUATION IN TWO WEEKS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOW WE GOT RID OF ALL THE RED TAPE SO THERE IS NO
14 REASON WHY THIS SHUNT BE DONE BEFORE SIX MONTHS ARE UP, ARE
15 IT?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WE WILL NOTIFY YOU IF WE HAVE OBSTACLES THAT WILL
18 DELAY US BEYOND SIX MONTHS.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THESE OBSTACLES ARE. ANY
21 TIME YOU TELL ME THESE DATES, IT'S JUST HARD FOR ME TO
22 UNDERSTAND WHY.

23

24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. DISCUSSION? WITHOUT
25 OBJECTION, AS AMENDED, KNABE MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS SECONDS. OH,

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1 I'M SORRY. WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD. SORRY,
2 SORRY. MAY I ASK EVERYBODY TO LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO ONE
3 MINUTE IN THE INTEREST OF TRYING TO MANAGE THE TIME? BECAUSE
4 WE HAVE ABOUT 10 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS. I'LL ASK
5 FOUR PEOPLE TO COME UP AT THE SAME TIME. CHRISTINE WANG.
6 ALBERT -- MARY SUTTON. AND DAVID CHAVEZ. I'M AWARE SOME OF YOU
7 HAVE ASKED TO COME UP ON A-6. YOU WILL BE CALLED UP ON THAT
8 ITEM LATER. ARE YOU MISS WANG?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** YES.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK. I AM A MEMBER OF
15 CRITICAL RESISTANCE. OUR ORGANIZATION SEEKS TO LIMIT THE
16 EXPANSION OF THE PRISON INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. AND WE ARE VERY
17 CONCERNED THAT THE RFP BEING SENT OUT IS -- WE HOPE THAT IT
18 ULTIMATELY WILL ALLOW L.A. COUNTY TO INSTEAD OF EXPAND JAIL
19 CAPACITY, PERHAPS EXPAND THE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND AL
20 FERNATIVEES TO -- ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. WE FEEL THAT
21 THERE'S CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT DIVERSION PROGRAMS AND
22 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION SAVE MONEY AND IMPROVE PUBLIC
23 SAFETY IN BOTH SHORT AND LONG-TERM. PEOPLE WHO WILL BE
24 RETURNING TO ARE COUNTY ARE IN NEED OF EDUCATION, PHYSICAL AND
25 MENTAL SERVICES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND TREATMENT SERVICES AND

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1 LIFE SKILLS SERVICES THAT COULD BE PROVIDED MUCH MORE CHEAPLY,
2 EFFECTIVELY AND COMPREHENSIVELY OUTSIDE OF JAIL.

3

4 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALBERT.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING.

7

8 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** WITH THE LEGISLATION THAT WAS PUT DOWN IN OUR LAPS AS
11 BOARD MEMBERS AT THE STATE, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO ACT
12 QUICKLY ON A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE BEING ASKED FOR FROM THE
13 CITY. I THINK YES, WE DO HAVE TO ACT QUICKLY, BUT ALSO I
14 ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO LOOK AT ALL THESE ITEMS ARE A
15 FINE COMB AND UNDERSTAND THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION WE ARE
16 IN. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY RIGHT NOW TO REALLY TO BE LEADERS
17 OF THE NATION WITH THIS REALIGNMENT ACTIVITY GOING ON. AND I
18 COMMEND YOU MOLINA BECAUSE I THINK IT'S REAL IMPORTANT. AND I
19 WANT TO JUST LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT IN THE COMMUNITY, WE ARE
20 PREPARED TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITIES. AND THERE ARE WAYS
21 THAT COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS CAN ADDRESS THESE ISSUES THAT
22 WE'RE GETTING ALL THESE NON, NON, NONES. AND \$4.2 MILLION IS A
23 LOT OF MONEY. AND PLEASE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THESE ITEMS WITH
24 A FIN COMB AND KNOW THAT US IN THE COMMUNITY ARE PREPARED TO

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1 ADDRESS THE ISSUES AND WORK WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE COMING DOWN
2 FROM THE STATE.

3

4 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ALBERT. MARY
5 SUTTON?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, I'M MARY SUTTON, I REPRESENT CRITICAL
8 RESISTANCE AND CURB, WHICH IS A STATEWIDE ALLIANCE OF OVER 40
9 ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING CALIFORNIA'S PLANS TO BUILD MORE PRISON
10 AND JAILS. CAN I GET SOME CLARIFICATION ON THIS? I AGREE WITH
11 GLORIA THAT HOPEFULLY THESE RFPS WILL BE EXPEDITED. I WAS AT A
12 MEETING. I HEARD THEY WERE GOING TO BE PUT OUT THE WEEK AFTER
13 THANKSGIVING. SO I AGREE. IT SHOULD BE HURRIED ALONG BECAUSE
14 PEOPLE ARE BEING -- REENTERING THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THEY NEED
15 SUPPORT. BUT CAN YOU CLARIFY THIS? \$4.2 MILLION, BUT THEN IN
16 PARENTHESES, IT SAYS THIS MUCH FOR PROBATION AND THIS MUCH FOR
17 THE SHERIFF. ARE THEY THE ONES DECIDING WHERE THAT MONEY'S
18 GOING? IS THAT WHY THAT -- COULD YOU JUST EXPLAIN THAT? I'M
19 CONFUSED.

20

21 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL HAVE THAT EXPLAINED AFTER
22 WE'RE DONE WITH THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** IF YOU WOULD, I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID CHAVEZ, BEFORE YOU START, LET
2 ME ASK STACEY JOHNSON, ANGELA AUSTIN, AND SUSAN BURTON TO COME
3 DOWN. MR. CHAVEZ.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. SO THIS
6 CONTRACT RIGHT NOW THAT PROBATION IS GOING FORTH, IT'S A SMALL
7 STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I REALLY WANT TO CLARIFY REALLY,
8 REALLY SMALLY, RIGHT? 4.2 MILLION REPRESENTS LESS THAN 4
9 PERCENT OF WHAT A.B.109 MONEY WAS GIVEN HERE TO L.A. COUNTY.
10 LESS THAN 4 PERCENT WILL GO TOWARD HOUSING PEOPLE COMING HOME
11 AND GIVING DIRECT SERVICES. AND IT'S INTERESTING THAT THE
12 PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS TAKING SUCH A LONG TIME TO DO THIS,
13 YET THEY WERE IMMEDIATELY ABLE TO HIRE NEW OFFICERS AND TO
14 THINK OF WAYS TO INCARCERATE THESE PEOPLE COMING HOME. SO I
15 JUST THINK WE NEED TO MAKE IT REALLY CLEAR THAT CALIFORNIA
16 ITSELF HAS A 30-YEAR HISTORY THAT SHOWS US THAT CONSTRUCTION
17 AND FOCUSING ON PUNISHMENT IS NOT THE WAY TO SOLVE
18 OVERCROWDING OR THE WAY TO SUPPORT PEOPLE COMING HOME FROM
19 PRISON. WE NEED TO BE INVESTING IN SERVICES BUT ALSO SERVICES
20 THAT ARE RUN BY FORMERLY INCARCERATED PEOPLE. I THINK THIS IS
21 ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THIS. SO, YES, LET'S
22 CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THIS PROBLEM IN A POSITIVE WAY AND INVEST
23 IN OUR COMMUNITIES, NOT INVEST IN MORE POLICING OR JAILS.
24 THANK YOU.

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** STACEY JOHNSON?

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HELLO MY NAME IS STACEY JOHNSTON AND I'M FROM NEW WAY
4 OF LIFE. I GOT OUT OF PRISON FOUR MONTHS AGO. I WENT TO NEW
5 WAY OF LIFE. I HAD TO LEAVE BECAUSE I HAD A MINOR SETBACK
6 BECAUSE I HAD AN ALTERCATION. I'M BEGGING HER TO LET ME COME
7 BACK. IT WAS AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM. SHE REALLY HELPED ME A LOT.
8 I JUST REALLY THINK THAT IT'S A SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEM. WE
9 DON'T NEED JAILS. WE NEED MORE PROGRAMS LIKE A NEW WAY OF
10 LIFE. THAT'S BASICALLY ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

11

12 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANGELA AUSTIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M ANGELA AUSTIN. I'M A RESIDENT OF A NEW WAY OF
15 LIFE. I WAS IMPRISONED FOR FOUR YEARS. I'VE ABOUT ENIN NEW WAY
16 OF LIFE FOR JUST ABOUT SIX MONTHS. IT'S STRUCTURED AND SAFE
17 AND IT'S BETTER THAN PRISON. I'M IN SCHOOL. MS. BURTON
18 PROVIDES CLOTHING, SHELTER, WE HAVE GROUP, IT'S MANAGED, IT'S
19 A GREAT PLACE. THAT WOULD BE MUCH BETTER THAN COUNTY
20 FACILITIES BECAUSE THOSE PLACES DO NOT REHABILITATE. (AUDIO
21 LOST). . I RECEIVED SERVICES AND I COMMITTED MY LIFE TO
22 CREATING A SPACE WHERE WOMEN CAN TRANSITION, REUNITE WITH
23 THEIR CHILDREN, BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY, RESPECT, HAVE THE
24 RESOURCES AND DIRECTION TO GET THEIR LIVES ON TRACK AND BECOME
25 A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER OF THIS COMMUNITY. AND RIGHT NOW I JUST

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1 WANT TO APPLAUD YOU ALL FOR THE DIRECTION THAT YOU'VE TAKEN TO
2 ACTUALLY BEGIN TO STEP IN THE WAY OF FAITH IN COMMUNITY AND
3 SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES THROUGH THIS PROBATION ACT TO ACTUALLY
4 SUPPORT SOME SERVICES. EVEN THOUGH IT'S A SMALL STEP, AND I
5 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THAT STEP. AND I ALSO WANT TO SAY
6 HAVE A HAPPY AND WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND HOPEFULLY IN THE NEW
7 YEAR, WE CAN TAKE THIS EFFORT AND EXPAND IT OUT TO DO MORE
8 BECAUSE I KNOW, I SEE IT WORKS.

9

10 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE THAT. MISS
11 POLL.

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13 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'M ALSO A PRODUCT OF NEW WAY OF LIFE. MS.
14 BURTON HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE. SHE OFFERS A DRUG
15 FREE ENVIRONMENT AND HAS BEEN SUPPORTING IN THE TIME OF NEED.
16 WHILE I WAS RESIDING IN NEW WAY OF LIFE I WAS ABLE TO GET OFF
17 PAROLE. I WAS OFFERED HOUSING. AND I ALSO WAS OFFERED SCHOOL.
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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20 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MS. GROSS.

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22 **SPEAKER:** YES. SUCCESS, BEING OUT OF JAIL, I GOT OUT AUGUST
23 27TH. I WENT TO A NEW WAY OF LIFE. AND IT'S VERY STRUCTURED
24 PROGRAM. IT'S SAFE. AND MS. BURTON'S A GREAT WOMAN. THAT'S ALL
25 I HAVE TO SAY.

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2 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THAT CLOSES THE
3 PUBLIC HEARING. DID YOU WANT TO ANSWER THAT ONE QUESTION THAT
4 THE LADY HAD?

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6 **SPEAKER:** I DID ANSWER IT.

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8 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU DO THAT? JUST FOR THE
9 PUBLIC THAT MIGHT BE INTERESTED.

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11 **SPEAKER:** THE QUESTION SHE HAD WAS HOW WE GOT TO THE 4.2
12 MILLION FOR THE 2011 AMOUNT. AND IT INCLUDES \$200,000 FROM
13 SHERIFF'S RESOURCES AND 4 MILLION FROM PROBATION RESOURCES.
14 THE REASON THAT WE'RE BOTH CONTRIBUTING IS BECAUSE SOME OF THE
15 SERVICES ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO BE USED BY FOLKS WHO ARE COMING
16 OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S FACILITIES AND NEED IT FOR REENTRY
17 PURPOSES AND TRANSITIONAL PURPOSES COMING OUT OF CUSTODY. SO
18 THAT'S HOW WE GOT TO THE 4.2 MILLION. WE KIND OF
19 PROPORTIONALLY LOOKED AT WHO IS GOING TO USE WHAT AMOUNT OF
20 SERVICES.

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22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WITHOUT ANY FURTHER
23 DISCUSSION, KNABE MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS SECONDS AS AMENDED.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. YEAH, THAT'S ALL I WAS
25 HOLDING. WE HAVE THE SHERIFF IS HERE. WE NEED TO GO INTO A

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1 CLOSED SESSION WITH HIM BECAUSE HIS TIME IS LIMITED AND WE CAN
2 COME BACK OUT HERE. BUT WHILE THEY'RE FIXING THE ROOM BACK
3 THERE, WHY DON'T WE HAVE THE ADJOURNING MOTIONS, SUPERVISOR
4 KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL, THAT I
7 WOULD MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROSE DESORIO, BELOVED
8 MOTHER OF A GREAT FRIEND, JOHNNY, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT
9 THE AGE OF 90, SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, JOHNNY, ANTHONY,
10 ROSALIE, WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER INCREDIBLE HUSBAND TONY
11 AND BELOVED DAUGHTER CAROLYN. SHE'LL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY
12 AND FRIENDS AND EVERYONE THAT KNEW HER. JOHNNY PLYMOUTH, LIVED
13 A LONG LIFE AND NOW SHE'S SHINING DOWN ON US. OUR THOUGHTS AND
14 PARS ARE WITH THE -- PRAYERS ARE WITH THE DESORIO FAMILY. ALSO
15 JOHN YAU WHO PASSED AWAY DECEMBER 18TH AT THE AGE OF 82. HE
16 IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1953 TO ATTEND THE
17 UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA. COMPLETED HIS PHD IN FORESTRY FROM THE
18 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. TAUGHT AT MISSISSIPPI STATE.
19 OWNED AND RAN SEVERAL BUSINESSES BEFORE RETIRING IN 2000. HE
20 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 42 YEARS, MINN, TWO SONS, AND THEIR
21 SPOUSES AND CHILDREN. ALSO HAPPENS TO BE THE FIANCÉ OF A STAFF
22 MEMBER OF MINE, REBECCA. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
23 DOMINGUEZ AND HENRY DOMINGUEZ WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY.
24 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO FAMILY. THEY ARE SURVIVED BY
25 THEIR BROTHER GEORGE, A LODGE TIME CERRITOS RESIDENT AND

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1 PERSONAL FRIEND OF MINE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A
2 GREAT ATHLETE AND COACH, AND THAT'S GENE SKIP ROLAND WHO
3 PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 17TH AT THE AGE OF 84. THREE-YEAR
4 LETTER MAN IN FOOTBALL, BASEBALL AT LONG BEACH WILSON. ALL
5 PLAYER AT FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL. 1945 LONG BEACH FOOTBALL
6 PLAYER OF THE YEAR. HE WENT ON TO LETTER FOUR YEARS AT UCLA IN
7 BOTH BASEBALL AND FOOTBALL. WAS ALL LEAGUE IN BASEBALL. HE
8 COACHED BASEBALL, FOOTBALL AND GOLF AT WILSON. HE IS IN SIX
9 DIFFERENT HAULS OF FAME. WILSON, CENTURY CLUB UCLA, UCLA
10 BASEBALL, UCIF AND LONG BEACH BASEBALL. HE WAS AN INCREDIBLE
11 MAN. EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE HAD A GRUFF EXTERIOR BUT HE WAS A
12 COME PASSIONATE HUMAN BEING WHO -- HE TOUCHED MANY, MANY
13 LIVES. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LORNA, FOUR CHILDREN KATHY, TERRY
14 AND EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JUDY
15 JANKOWSKI, FORMER GENERAL MANAGER OF KKAC, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
16 THE YOUNG AGE OF 61 ON DECEMBER 17TH. SHE WAS PRESIDENT OF
17 CALIFORNIA PUBLIC BROADCASTERS, WORKED DILIGENTLY TO HELP
18 PUBLIC RADIO SURVIVE THROUGH GRANTS, AWARENESS AND PUBLIC
19 RELATIONS. SHE LOVED TO READ. LOVED TO TRAVEL. GREAT OUTLOOK
20 IN LIFE. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER, NIECE AND SISTER-IN-LAW. ALSO ADJOURN
22 IN MEMORY OF TONY TEMPLE MAN. A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF ARTESIA.
23 OWNER OF ADVANCED HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING. SURVIVED BY
24 WIFE OF 53 YEARS. THREE SONS AND ONE GRANDSON. ALSO WE ADJOURN
25 IN MEMORY OF JOANY ARUSO WHO PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 4TH AT

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1 THE YOUNG AGE OF 53. SHE GRADUATED FROM BELLFLOWER HIGH
2 SCHOOL. SHE WAS KNOWN AND RESPECTED FOR HER LOVE OF LIFE AND
3 BRINGING JOY TO OTHERS THROUGH HER SELF-LESS GIVING. SHE IS
4 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 33 YEARS, JOSEPH. PARENTS PETER
5 SENIOR AND JEAN, TWO SONS NATHAN AND BRIAN, FOUR SIBLINGS, TWO
6 GRANDCHILDREN, LANE AND JOAN JOSHUA AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS
7 AND FRIENDS. AND ALSO FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TED
8 PAULSON, A FORMER RTV PLANNING COMMISSIONER AND PALISADES
9 DISTRICT TRUSTEE PASSED AWAY IN NOVEMBER AFTER A LONG BATTLE
10 WITH CANCER. AFTER HIS RETIREMENT FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
11 EDISON AND THE U.S. ARMY RESERVES, TED SERVED THE CITY AND
12 LOCAL LIBRARY WITH DISTINCTION. UPON LEAVING THE LIBRARY BOARD
13 HE JOINED THE FRIENDS BOARD AND BECAME ITS PRESIDENT. UNDER
14 ITS LEADERSHIP, BECAME A KEY FUNDRAISING ARM AND LIBRARY
15 DISTRICT. CONTINUED TO ASSIST THE FRIENDS WHEN HIS TERM AS
16 PRESIDENT ENDED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 51 YEARS,
17 PATRICIA, AND SON AND A DAUGHTER, JOHN AND HILLARY AND THEIR
18 SPOUSES AND CHILDREN. MR. CHAIRMAN, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO WANT TO JOIN IN THE ADJOURNMENT. HE WAS
22 A GREAT LEADER OF FREEDOM IN THE TRADITION OF MARGARET
23 THATCHER. HIS LEADERSHIP WILL BE MISSED. ALSO MOVE IN MEMORY
24 OF WILLIAM GREGORY KING, WHO PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 13TH.
25 SERVED AS A TREASURER OF THE CITY OF SAN MAY REASON OH FROM

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1 1971 TO 75. HE WAS ACTIVE MEMBER FOR THE HUNTINGTON INSTITUTE
2 FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH WHERE HE SERVED AS TREASURER, VICE
3 PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT. AND HE WORKED FOR 33 YEARS WITH THE
4 FIRST INTERSTATE BANK. ADJOURNMENT FOR ARTHUR WILLIAM BARK,
5 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 99. 71-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE
6 ANTELOPE VALLEY. ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LOCAL ELKS. ANT HOPE
7 VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND TRUSTEE OF THE WEST SIDE SCHOOL
8 BOARD AND SERVED ON THE COUNTY ROAD COMMITTEE. JAMES JIM ALLEN
9 BOLTS. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN
10 VETERAN. ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR 60 YEARS, ACTIVE IN THE LIONS
11 CLUB. SERVED SERVED THE COMMUNITY AS A SANTA CLAUS FOR THE
12 PAST 50 YEARS. MEMBER OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. WAS A
13 FOUNDING MEMBER ORGANIZING OFFICER OF THE RANCHERS BANK AND AS
14 PRESIDENT OF THE COURTS HILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. ROBERT COIL
15 III PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 26. GRADUATE OF COURTSVILLE HIGH
16 SCHOOL. BEFORE JOINING THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WHERE HE
17 SERVED AS COMMUNICATIONS SIGNALS ANALYST WITH THE 381ST
18 INTELLIGENCE SQUAD RANT WHERE HE RECEIVED THE AIR FORCE
19 ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO THE AIR FORCE AND
20 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

21

22 IRIS LUKE AR OTH WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78 WORKED FOR
23 GENERAL ELECTRIC FOR 40 YEARS IN ANTELOPE VALLEY. WAS INVOLVED
24 WITH THE SOUTHERN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE ANTELOPE
25 VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT. MICHAEL PARKER, AGE 62,

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1 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LITTLE ROCK. JAMES WOODRUFF PASSED AWAY
2 AT THE AGE OF 66. HE WAS LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF AND
3 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. PEDRO GAL VIN -- PASSED AWAY
4 AT THE AGE OF 90 WORLD WAR II VETERAN SERVED WITH THE UNITED
5 STATES ARMY. CORPS MAN WITH FRANCE. 65-YEAR RESIDENT OF
6 LANCASTER. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS? WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
7 VOTE. SUPERVISOR? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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9 >>SUP. MOLINA: BEFORE I READ IN MY ADJOURNMENTS, ONLY BECAUSE
10 I THINK IT'S TIMELY, I THINK THAT MANY OF YOU HAVE PROBABLY
11 HEARD THE ISSUES WITH REGARD TO SECURE COMMUNITIES, WHICH IS A
12 FEDERAL IMMIGRATION PROGRAM. IT'S HARD TO UNDERSTAND HOW IT
13 INTERFACES WITH US AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES TO IT.
14 BUT I WAS ALARMED TO HEAR ABOUT THE FOUR AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO
15 RECEIVED AN ICE DETAINER WHILE IN CUSTODY OF THE SHERIFF. I AM
16 CONCERNED ABOUT IT. I INVESTIGATED ALL FOUR CASES. AND IT'S
17 HARD FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND WHY AND HOW THE SHERIFF DEFERS TO
18 ICE WHEN IN FACT SOMEONE CLAIMS TO BE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN AND
19 THEY HAVE DOCUMENTS THAT PROVE THAT. THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE
20 HAVE A DUTY AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS AND
21 ALL OF OUR CITIZENS TO ALLOW FOR A DUE PROCESS. RIGHT NOW,
22 UNDER THE SECURE COMMUNITIES, THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE
23 COMPLAINING ABOUT THE INFORMATION AND THAT DATABASE ITSELF. I
24 CAN'T CONTROL WHAT SECURE COMMUNITIES DOES AND THE FACT THAT
25 IT'S BEEN FORCED AND AN OVERLAY IN L.A. COUNTY. BUT THE ISSUE

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1 IS: THAT WHEN WE ARREST AN INDIVIDUAL AND HE CLAIMS TO BE A
2 CITIZEN AND CANNOT GET BAIL OR IS NOT AFFORDED BAIL BECAUSE
3 SECURE COMMUNITIES OR ICE HAS A HOLD ON THEM, I THINK THAT WE
4 HAVE AN AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO UNDERTAKE TO MAKE SURE
5 THAT THAT CITIZEN IS ENTITLED TO THE FULL RIGHTS ALLOWED BY
6 OUR CONSTITUTION. AND I DON'T SEE US DOING THAT. I AM SEEING
7 US DEFER IT COMPLETELY TO ICE. SO, CONSEQUENTLY, I'M PUTTING
8 TOGETHER -- I HAVE A MOTION HER IN WHICH I'M ASKING THE
9 SHERIFF, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALL OF
10 THOSE RESPONSIBLE THAT WHEN AN INMATE CLAIMS TO BE A CITIZEN,
11 THAT THERE IS SOME POSITIVE ACTION THAT IS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF
12 THOSE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO ASSIST THAT CITIZEN TO MAKE SURE
13 THAT THAT ICE HOLD IS REMOVED. WHETHER THEY'RE RELEASED OR NOT
14 IS A DIFFERENT ISSUE. BUT THE FACT THAT THEY SHOULD BE
15 ENTITLED TO BAIL OR ALL THE OTHER RIGHTS THEY'RE ENTITLED TO
16 CITIZENS. OF THE FOUR CASES THAT WERE PRESENTED BY THE ACLU, I
17 THINK THAT, AGAIN, WHEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE BORN HERE,
18 YOU SEE THAT THEY ARE REAL PROBLEMS. WE CAN'T DO MUCH ABOUT IT
19 AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, SO I HAVE A MOTION AND THEN MY STAFF
20 PASSED OUT THAT BASICALLY ASKS THAT WE ASK THE SHERIFF BACA TO
21 DEVELOP A PROTOCOL WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO
22 IMMEDIATELY INVESTIGATE ANY CLAIMS OF CITIZENSHIP MADE BY THE
23 PERSONS HELD IN COUNTY CUSTODY AS A RESULT OF THE ICE DETAINER
24 IF VALID TO WORK WITH IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT TO
25 REMOVE SUCH DETAINERS IMMEDIATELY. SHERIFF BACA'S REQUESTED TO

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1 REPORT TO THE BOARD IN WRITING HOPEFULLY BY DECEMBER 30TH AS
2 TO WHAT THAT PROTOCOL SHOULD BE. NOT MAKING A DECISION THAT WE
3 SHOULD PASS IT OR NOT, BUT I'D LIKE TO SEE WHAT THEY ARE
4 DOING. RIGHT NOW IT'S BEEN HARD FOR US TO ASCERTAIN, IT SORT
5 OF SEEMS THAT EVERYBODY PASSES THE BUCK, BUT I THINK THAT ONCE
6 THE SHERIFF RECEIVES THIS INMATE, THERE SHOULD BE SOME
7 POSITIVE ACTION THAT THEY ARE TAKING. AND I'D LIKE THEM TO
8 BEGIN THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING WHATEVER THAT PROTOCOL SHOULD
9 BE. I AM ALSO ASKING THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH THE
10 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND/OR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY LEARN THAT
11 THERE'S AN IMMIGRATION DETAINER THAT HAS BEEN PLACED ON A
12 CITIZEN, EACH OF THOSE OFFICERS SHOULD WORK WITH ICE
13 IMMEDIATELY TO REMOVE SUCH A DETAINER. THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND
14 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY ARE REQUESTED TO HAVE A REPORT IN
15 WRITING, AS WELL. I JUST THINK THAT WE NEED TO ASK THESE
16 DEPARTMENTS TO TAKE A POSITIVE ACTION, NOT TO JUST PASS THE
17 BUCK OVER TO ICE, WHEN IN FACT YOU HAVE A CITIZEN. I'M NOT
18 ASKING WHAT DOCUMENTS, WHAT THE VALID, BUT I THINK THEY HAVE
19 TO TAKE A POSITIVE ACTION INSTEAD OF JUST LETTING SOMEBODY SIT
20 IN JAIL UNTIL THAT ICE DETAINER'S REMOVED. MANY OF THESE
21 INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED BECAUSE THESE FOLKS HAVE BEEN CAPABLE
22 OF GETTING AHOLD OF ATTORNEYS OR OTHERS, BUT THERE ARE MANY
23 PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT CAPABLE OF IT.

24

25 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I'D LIKE THAT TO COME BACK.

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4 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE CONSIDER THIS A REPORT BACK?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I SEE IT AS A REPORT BACK.

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8 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO DO I.

9

10 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I COULD SEE IT AS A REPORT BACK. YOU COULD SEE
11 IT AS AN EMERGENCY MOTION. BUT YOU COULD SEE IT AS A REPORT
12 BACK.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE IT AS A REPORT BACK.

15

16 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OBJECTIONS TO HAVING A REPORT
17 BACK? WE'RE NOT TAKING ANY ACTION TODAY UNTIL BEE GET THE
18 REPORT BACK. ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE
19 ORDER. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING MOTION. I'D LIKE TO
22 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LAURAELE ANN AND SO THE
23 OMAR KEYS. SHE IS THE MOTHER OF LONG TIME COUNTY EMPLOYEE WHO
24 WORKS FOR COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
25 DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO JOSIE AND HER ENTIRE FAMILY. WITHOUT

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1 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS, YOU HAVE
2 NO ADJOURNING MOTIONS. ALL RIGHT. WE NEED TO GO INTO CLOSED
3 SESSION BRIEFLY. WE'LL BE BACK OUT JUST ON THIS ONE ITEM. DO
4 YOU WANT TO READ US INTO IT?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
7 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
8 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH
9 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION. THANK YOU.

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[CLOSED SESSION]

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALRIGHT, WE'RE BACK IN SESSION--IN
16 OPEN SESSION. WE HAVE NOTHING TO REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION.
17 SO NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA, SUP. KNABE, YOUR SPECIALS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I BELIEVE I HELD... LET'S START WITH 8. FIRST I
20 HAD SOME QUESTIONS OF MR. BROWNING AND STAFF TO GET SOME
21 THINGS ON THE RECORD. IF WE COULD HAVE SOMEBODY FROM DPSS, AS
22 WELL. THIS IS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION ON -- LET ME
23 BEGIN BY SAYING THAT I OBVIOUSLY SUPPORT THE MOTION. BUT I
24 THINK THERE'S SOME THINGS WE NEED TO POINT OUT AND JUST GET ON
25 THE RECORD. THIS POPULATION, THE 18 THROUGH 24 PARTICULARLY

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1 THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE LEAVING OUR FOSTER CARE OR PROBATION SYSTEM
2 HAVE BECOME A REAL FOCUS, I THINK, OF ALL OF US UP HERE, AND
3 RIGHTFULLY SO. BUT AS WE MAKE CHOICES AND PRIORITIZE DO THINK
4 WE NEED TO BE MINDFUL OF RESOURCES, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES
5 TO THE MOST ESSENTIAL FOR THIS POPULATION, GENERAL RELIEF AND
6 FOOD STAMPS. IT GOES BACK TO MY MOTION IN AN ATTEMPT NOT TO
7 HURT ANYONE TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR
8 THOSE IN NEED. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A POPULATION THAT IS TRULY IN
9 THIS NEED. AND WE HAVE FOUND THAT BASICALLY A THIRD OF THIS
10 POPULATION IS OUT OF COMPLIANCE. BUT YET WE HAVE THIS GROWING
11 NEED OF FIRST-TIME FOLKS AS WELL AS THIS POPULATION. I JUST,
12 YOU KNOW, THINK WE NEED TO REALLY CLOSELY LOOK AT THESE
13 PROGRAMS. I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION. BUT I THINK IT
14 POINTS OUT EVEN MORE WHEN WE ARE DEALING WITH LIMITED
15 RESOURCES AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS POPULATION THAT WE LIVE
16 UP TO THIS WHOLE PROCESS. I DON'T HAVE ANY PARTICULAR QUESTION
17 AS SUCH. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT COMMENT AND GET IT ON THE
18 RECORD. BUT IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS THAT CAN HELP US THROUGH
19 THIS PROCESS, FINE; IF NOT, THEN I'M CONTENT TO SUPPORT MR.
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION.

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22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M TRYING TO RECONCILE.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE AMENDMENT I HAD --

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOURS IS AN AMENDMENT?

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

4

5 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WHO WANTS TO BE
6 HEARD NEXT? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WANT TO ENTERTAIN THE AMENDMENT AND THEN
9 I WILL SPEAK, MR. CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE AMENDMENT, I COMMEND SUPERVISOR MARK
12 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS MOTION HERE. AND OUR AMENDMENT EXPANDS
13 THAT TO DIRECT GOING BEYOND CAL FRESH. I MIGHT STATE THAT LAST
14 YEAR I VISITED HILLSIDE, WHICH IS A HOME FOR CHILDREN OF
15 EMANCIPATION AND THEY HAVE A PROGRAM IN PLACE WHERE THEY TEACH
16 THE KIDS TO BE SELF-SUFFICIENT AND ALL. AND WHAT WE NEED TO
17 HAVE IS THOSE TYPES OF PROGRAMS IN PLACE. SO WE NEED TO DO ALL
18 OF THESE, TAKE ALL OF THESE AVENUES SO THAT WE MAKE THE
19 EMANCIPATED YOUTH A PRODUCTIVE, SELF-SUFFICIENT YOUTH WHO WILL
20 BE ABLE TO MOVE ON INTO THE SOCIETY AS A PRODUCTIVE MEMBER. SO
21 THE AMENDMENT BASICALLY ALLOWS THE FULL THRUST OF INSURING
22 THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THE ABILITY TO BECOME SELF-
23 SUFFICIENT.

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN I JUST BE CLEAR ON ONE THING. I
2 WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT YOUR AMENDMENT OR SOMEBODY'S
3 AMENDMENT, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CAL FRESH AND ITS STANDING
4 ELSEWHERE, OTHER PROGRAMS PROVIDED THAT THOSE PROGRAMS WERE
5 NECESSARY. FOR THE INDIVIDUAL. BUT WE WEREN'T GOING TO HAVE
6 THE WHOLE BUREAUCRACY MOVE TO GET EVERYBODY IN TRANSITION,
7 EVERYBODY WHO WAS EMANCIPATED ON TO THESE PROGRAMS WHETHER
8 THEY NEEDED THEM OR NOT. ODDS ARE A LOT OF THEM ARE GOING TO
9 NEED IT. BUT AM I CORRECT IN THAT?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I THINK THE QUESTION IS TWO PARTS, ONE OF
12 WHICH, TO FOLLOW-UP ON SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S POSITION, I
13 THINK DCFS CAN DO A LOT BETTER IN PREPARING THESE YOUNG ADULTS
14 TO LEAVE THE SYSTEM. AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE WE REALLY NEED
15 TO BE FOCUSING OUR EFFORTS. WE HAVEN'T DONE AS MUCH AS WE
16 SHOULD HAVE. I WAS AT A GROUP FACILITY THE OTHER DAY JUST LIKE
17 YOU, SUPERVISOR, WHERE I TALKED TO A NUMBER OF THE
18 INDIVIDUALS, SOME OF WHICH HAD APPLIED FOR COLLEGE, SOME WERE
19 LOOKING AT THE MILITARY, BUT THE GOAL IS NOT TO PUT EVERYONE
20 ON CAL FRESH JUST BUT TO GET THEM SELF-SUFFICIENT. BUT THERE
21 ARE CASES WHERE PEOPLE EXIT THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND WE WANT
22 TO MAKE SURE THEY KNOW ALL OF THE BENEFITS TO WHICH THEY'RE
23 ENTITLED, CAL FRESH THAT WOULD BE THE ONE THAT WOULD PROVIDE
24 THEM BENEFITS BUT ALSO IT HAS A WORK REQUIREMENT. AND I THINK
25 THAT'S ONE OF THE COMPONENTS THAT THE CAL FRESH PROGRAM IS

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1 KNOWN FOR. AND HOPEFULLY IF WE HAVEN'T DONE A GOOD JOB IN DCFS
2 PREPARING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE FOR EDUCATION OR A CAREER, AT
3 LEAST THEY WOULD HAVE A WORK COMPONENT IF THEY WERE TO BE --
4 IF THEY WERE TO APPLY FOR A CAL FRESH.

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6 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? MR.
7 CHAIRMAN, THE MATTER IS RATHER STRAIGHTFORWARD AND DIRECT, I
8 BELIEVE. IT IS ESSENTIALLY TO SAY THAT WE KNOW, GIVEN OUR
9 COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE, THAT YOUNGSTERS AGING OUT
10 OF FOSTER CARE ARE THOSE WHO ARE, IN MANY RESPECTS, THE MOST
11 VULNERABLE. SO THIS IS ESSENTIALLY AN EFFORT TO BE SMART ABOUT
12 WHAT WE DESCRIBE AS SELF-SUFFICIENCY. THIS IS A WAY TO CAUSE
13 THE SAFETY NET TO DO WHAT A SAFETY NET IS SUPPOSED TO DO. AND
14 IN PART THAT MEANS PREVENT MORE HARM. SO THE DATA IS
15 ABUNDANTLY CLEAR. IT CONFIRMS THAT THOSE YOUNGSTERS WHO ARE
16 AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE ARE AT RISK FOR HOMELESSNESS, HUNGER
17 AND ECONOMIC INSECURITY. THE INTERIM DEPARTMENT HEAD MAKES IT
18 CLEAR THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT DONE ALL THAT IT COULD; AND
19 AS A RESULT OF THIS MOTION SEEKS TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT BY
20 WAY OF BOARD ACTION TO BE MORE PROACTIVE; AND IN THAT WAY
21 STABILIZE THE LIVES OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IN WHOM WE HAVE MADE
22 AN INVESTMENT UP TO THE POINT OF THEM AGING OUT. THE BALANCE
23 OF THE INVESTMENT NEEDS TO BE MADE BY WAY OF CAL FRESH. DOING
24 SO IS NOT ONLY SMART BUT IT IS HUMANE. I WOULD HOPE TO ACCEPT

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1 THE AMENDMENT THAT HAS BEEN OFFERED AND THAT WE UNANIMOUSLY
2 ADOPT THE MATTER BEFORE US.

3

4 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE DISCUSSION? IF NOT, WE'VE
5 -- WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD. SORRY. CHRIS
6 CURRY AND JOHN WALSH. TRISH MAY HAVE LEFT. OKAY.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT WALSH CONFIDENTIAL AT
9 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THIS COUNTY HAS THE WORST RECORD IN
10 AMERICA FOR DEALING WITH FOSTER CHILDREN. YOU ALL READ STORIES
11 IN THE L.A. TIMES. ONE OF YOUR CHILDREN COMMITTED SUICIDE.
12 WHERE ELSE DOES THAT HAPPEN? AND WHAT DO YOU SAY? WE HAVEN'T
13 DONE AS MUCH AS WE SHOULD HAVE. NOW, THEY'RE CROOKED IN L.A.,
14 THE CITY OF L.A., BUT THEY DON'T KILL CHILDREN OVER THERE THE
15 WAY YOU DO. THERE'S NOT ONE OF US THAT WOULD LOOK. AND ALSO 99
16 PERCENT OF THE CHILDREN ARE MINORITY. SO WHO DO YOU PICK AS
17 YOUR DIRECTOR? A WHITE MAN. THAT, MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, IN
18 THE WORDS OF MARTIN LUTHER KING IS RACIST. LET THE WHITES TAKE
19 CARE OF THE WHITES AND LET THE MINORITIES TAKE CARE OF THE
20 MINORITIES, MISS MOLINA. THIS MAN AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE YOU
21 HAVE, HAVE BLOOD ON THEIR HANDS. THEY HAVE BLOOD ON THEIR
22 HANDS. AND WE DON'T JUST DEAL WITH CITY ISSUES. I MEAN, JUST
23 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. I'M TELLING YOU, YOU OUGHT TO HANG
24 YOUR HEAD IN SHAME. AND, MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, HAS TAKEN
25 TWO FOSTER CHILDREN. AND HE WILL EVEN ADMIT THAT HE HAS FOSTER

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1 CHILDREN. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG FOR ALL THE INFORMATION. YOU
2 CAN TAKE BACK YOUR 25 SECONDS.

3

4 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. RIDLEY-THOMAS MOVES. KNABE
5 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, AS AMENDED, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST A LITTLE FRIENDLY COMPETITION MIGHT
8 BE IN ORDER, MR. CHAIRMAN. THE DEPARTMENT MAKES NOTE OF THE
9 FACT THAT ITS ENROLLMENT IS APPROXIMATELY AT 7 PERCENT IN SAN
10 DEOWING SAN DIEGO, THEY MOVED TO 60 PERCENT. THE RAW NUMBERS.
11 AND THESE ARE JUST THE PERCENTAGES. SANTA CLARA IS 100
12 PERCENT. FRIENDLY INTERSTATE COMPETITION MIGHT BE, INTRASTATE
13 COMPETITION MIGHT BE WORTH INSPIRING BETTER NUMBERS.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** I HEAR YOU, SIR.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS ENROLLMENT IN CAL FRESH
20 PROGRAM.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. 60 PERCENT IN SAN DIEGO.

23

24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S BEEN APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I CALL UP ITEM 26.

2

3 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 26.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS IS OR THE OF GOING BACK TO A REPEATABLE
6 ISSUE, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO SORT OF LARGE IN SCOPE AS
7 IT RELATES TO A.B.12 AND THE IMPACT OF THAT MANDATE ON THE
8 COUNTY. I'VE ASKED ABOUT THIS BEFORE AND JUST CONTINUE TO BE
9 CONCERNED. WE HAVE BEEN PROMISED OR BEEN TOLD THAT THIS WILL
10 HAVE NO FISCAL IMPACT, THAT THE SAVINGS THAT WE SEE IN KIN GAP
11 WILL COVER ANY COSTS THAT EXCEED THE COUNTY'S CURRENT
12 COMMITMENT. AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WE'VE BEEN TRACKING THIS FOR
13 SOMETIME. AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHERE WE ARE ON THIS. ARE THE
14 SAVINGS REAL? ARE THE SAVINGS MATERIALIZED? OR SORT OF WHERE
15 ARE WE?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** THE PROCESS WAS THE STATE LEGISLATION SAID THAT
18 COUNTIES WOULD BE HELD HARMLESS BASED ON A CONVERSION OF THE
19 KIN GAP CASES TO A FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY STANDARD. SO WE'VE
20 LOOKED. WE HAVE ABOUT 6600 KIN GAP CASES IN THE COUNTY. WE'VE
21 LOOKED AT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE. WE STILL HAVE A FEW THAT
22 WE HAVE TO COMPLETE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION FOR. WE HAD
23 ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT 45 PERCENT OF THOSE WOULD BE FEDERALLY
24 ELIGIBLE. IT TURNS OUT OUR ESTIMATES WERE PRETTY GOOD. IT
25 LOOKS LIKE ABOUT 46 PERCENT AT THIS POINT WILL BE ELIGIBLE. WE

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1 BELIEVE THAT BASED ON THOSE ASSUMPTIONS, THAT THERE SHOULDN'T
2 BE A PROBLEM FOR THIS YEAR OR NEXT YEAR. THE LEGISLATION DOES
3 SAY THAT COUNTIES WILL BE HELD HARMLESS UP TO THE AMOUNT OF
4 THE KIN GAP CONVERSION. SO WE'RE PRETTY COMFORTABLE THAT WE'RE
5 OKAY FOR THE IMMEDIATE NEXT 18 MONTHS. WE WILL BE MONITORING
6 THIS AS EVERY OTHER COUNTY WILL BE JUST TO ENSURE --

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** AND KEEP US INFORMED, AS WELL, TOO.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** WE'LL DO SO, SIR.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ABOUT THE NEW MANDATE? DOES IT REQUIRE A NEW
13 FISCAL OBLIGATION FOR US?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WELL IT DOES PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO
16 ARE NOT NOW CURRENTLY ELIGIBLE FOR FOSTER CARE. AS YOU KNOW,
17 WE'LL START SERVING 18 AND THEN 19 AND POSSIBLY 20-YEAR-OLDS.
18 THAT WILL GIVE THEM MORE TIME TO MATURE AND HOPEFULLY BECOME
19 MORE SELF-SUFFICIENT. THAT DOES GIVE THEM THE OPTION TO SAY WE
20 WANT TO STAY WHERE WE ARE. THEY COULD ALSO LEAVE. THEY COULD
21 LEAVE THE PROGRAM AND NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE A.B.12
22 PROCESS. SO NO ONE KNOWS. THE PROCESS IS A LITTLE UNCLEAR.
23 JANUARY 11, 2012 IS WHEN -- JANUARY 1, 2012 IS WHEN THIS ALL
24 STARTS. WE'RE EXPECTING SLOW BECAUSE WE EXPECT ABOUT 100 KIDS
25 TO BE ELIGIBLE THE FIRST MONTH, 60 OR SO THE NEXT MONTH. SO

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1 IT'S A GRADUAL PHASED-IN PROCESS. BUT WE DO BELIEVE THAT WE'LL
2 BE OKAY FOR THE SHORT-TERM. AND WE'LL CERTAINLY KEEP THIS
3 BOARD INFORMED PROBABLY ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AT LEAST OF WHERE
4 WE ARE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** CHAIR. THOSE ARE MY QUESTIONS. I WILL MOVE THE
7 ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN I JUST ASK? AN AMENDMENT THAT WE ASKED
10 PHIL BROWNING AND THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER IN PARTNERSHIP
11 WITH THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY COMMITTEE TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS
12 AND QUARTERLY THEREAFTER ON A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSITION AGE
13 YOUTH HOUSING PLAN INCORPORATING THE MANDATES OF A.B.12, STATE
14 RE-ALIGNMENT IN MAXIMIZING THE AVAILABLE FUNDING THROUGH THE
15 NECESSARY CHANGES, IF ANY, TO THE T.H.P.P. AND THE T.H.P. AND
16 THE T.H.P. FOSTER CARE PROGRAMS.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** CERTAINLY REPORT BACK.

19

20 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS? DID YOU
21 WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST VERY BRIEFLY. THE POLICY IMPULSES ARE
24 THE SAME WITH THE TWO ITEMS WE'VE JUST TAKEN UNDER
25 CONSIDERATION. AND I THINK THAT WHICH IS TO BE SEEN AS

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1 FORWARD-LOOKING WITH RESPECT TO OUR BEING PROACTIVE ABOUT THE
2 CARE AFFORDED THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE FOR NO REASON OF THEIR
3 OWN DOING. THAT, TO MY WAY OF THINKING, WHAT HAS TO BE
4 INFORMED BY ACCOUNTABILITY SINCE WE MUST BE STEWARDS OF THE
5 RESOURCES THAT ARE AFFORDED US. SO THE TENSION HERE, IT SEEMS
6 TO ME, IS HOW DO WE DO THE RIGHT THING IN THE MOST HUMANE WAY
7 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THESE
8 YOUNG PEOPLE? AND AT THE SAME TIME MAKE SURE THAT THOSE WHO
9 ARE SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES ARE DOING IT CONSISTENT
10 WITH THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF THE LAW. I DON'T SEE THOSE
11 AS DICHOTOMOUS. I DO NOT SEE THOSE AS CONFLICTUAL. I BELIEVE
12 THAT WE HAVE RESPONSIBILITY TO DO BOTH. AND I THINK THAT WE
13 CAN. AND I TRUST THAT THE ADOPTION OF THIS MOTION AND THE
14 AMENDING LANGUAGE WILL ACCOMPLISH THOSE TWO OBJECTIVES.

15
16 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT'S MOVED. SECONDED BY
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ANYTHING
18 ELSE THAT YOU'RE HOLDING, DON? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

19
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON ITEM 55-C, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO AMEND THAT
21 WE AMEND ITEM 4, RECOMMENDATION 4 OF 55-C, TO PURSUE
22 LEGISLATION TO RESTORE OVERSIGHT OF PHYSICIAN-OWNED AMBULATORY
23 SURGICAL, SURGERY CLINICS BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
24 SERVICES LICENSING DIVISION.

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AN AMENDMENT. ANY
2 OBJECTION TO CONSIDERING THAT AMENDMENT AS PART OF THE TOTAL
3 PACKAGE? WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WILL BE PART OF THE ITEM BEFORE
4 US. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD. BRIAN OXMAN AND
5 ROBERT SILVERMAN ? WOULD YOU WANT TO BE HEARD FIRST? YOUR
6 CALL?

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME JUST KIND OF SET THE CONTEXT, IF I
9 MAY, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MR. CHAIR, AND WITH APPRECIATION TO
10 THE ATTENTION THAT'S BEING FOCUSED ON THIS ITEM. YOU KNOW,
11 THERE ARE SEVERAL QUESTIONS THAT I THINK CAN AND SHOULD BE
12 RAISED AND PERHAPS THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BEING HEARD CAN
13 ADDRESS THESE QUESTIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THEIR REMARKS. BUT
14 AS A MEMBER OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE SPECIFICALLY WHEN I
15 SERVED IN THE SENATE THAT I INTRODUCED S.B.1454 THAT WAS
16 CONCERNED SPECIFICALLY WITH OVERSIGHT OF THE SURGICAL CENTERS
17 AND CLINICS PERFORMING WHAT WAS THOUGHT TO BE COSMETIC
18 PROCEDURES. AND THIS ISSUE CONTINUES TO BE A VERY URGENT
19 CONCERN FOR ALL OF US AS IT RELATES NOT JUST TO AESTHETICS BUT
20 TO HEALTH, FITNESS AND THE WELL-BEING OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE
21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND BEYOND. APRIL AND SO THE MATTER
22 BEFORE US RAISES SOME OF THOSE SAME QUESTIONS. YOU'LL RECALL
23 THAT THE ISSUE AT THE TIME WAS THE DEATH OF DR. WEST, WHO WAS
24 THE MOTHER OF A FAMOUS VOCALIST, CONIA, WE WERE VERY CONCERNED
25 ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AND IT CAUGHT THE LEGISLATURE'S ATTENTION

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1 AS IT DID OTHER BODIES. AND SO WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THIS ISSUE
2 OF 1-800-GET-THIN AND THE AD CAMPAIGN, THE QUESTIONS ABOUT
3 WHEN IT BEGAN, THE DISCLOSURES BUILT INTO THE ADS, WHEN THEY
4 BEGAN, HOW MANY PERSONS HAVE GOTTEN THE SURGERY. I MEAN, THE
5 BOARD WISHES TO KNOW AS MUCH AS IT CAN WITHIN REASON ABOUT THE
6 WHOLE RANGE OF ISSUES. THE OPERATORS WHO ANSWER THE PHONE, THE
7 BASIS FOR THEIR COMPENSATION, THE MISSION. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
8 THAT THE FULLEST PICTURE POSSIBLE WOULD BE USEFUL TO US. THE
9 DISTRIBUTION OF THE BILLBOARDS, WHERE THEY ARE TARGETED, IF
10 THEY ARE TARGETED ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT QUESTIONS. I LAY
11 ALL THESE QUESTIONS OUT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE WHO CAN AND
12 SHOULD BE ABLE TO ANSWER THEM. AND THEN FINALLY I JUST WANT TO
13 KNOW ABOUT THE RISK. HOW DO YOU CHARACTERIZE RISK? DO THE
14 OPERATORS, WHEN QUERIED BY INTERESTED PATIENTS OR CLIENTS GIVE
15 INSIGHTS AS TO THE RISK? OR WHAT ARE THEY TRAINED TO SAY AND
16 DO? AND THEN ULTIMATELY THE FDA WARNING. MAYBE, MR. CHAIR, WE
17 CAN GET SOME FEEDBACK AS TO HOW THAT IS BEING TAKEN UP BY
18 THOSE WHO ARE OBLIGED TO DO SO. I WILL LET THOSE BE THE
19 INITIAL QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS THAT I WISH TO RAISE AND HOPE
20 FOR AS THOROUGH RESPONSES AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

21

22 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BRIAN OXMAN AND
23 SILVERMAN, WHICH ONE OF YOU -- ARE YOU BOTH WITH THE SAME
24 COMPANY?

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, MR. CHAIR.

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3 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES, I WILL ADDRESS, I WILL START FIRST, THANK YOU.

6 GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS ROBERT

7 SILVERMAN. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF 1-800-GET-THIN. I COME BEFORE

8 YOU TODAY IN RESPONSE TO THIS AGENDA ITEM, 55-C, THAT WE

9 UNDERSTAND WAS BROUGHT BEFORE YOU IN RESPONSE TO THE FDA

10 WARNING LETTER THAT WAS RECEIVED ON DECEMBER 14TH. I ALSO COME

11 BEFORE YOU TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND PLEDGE OUR COMMITMENT TO BE A

12 RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION OPERATING WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS

13 ANGELES, THAT IT IS OUR INTENT TO COMPLY WITH THE FDA WARNING

14 LETTER TO MAKE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS TO OUR

15 ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN SO THAT ALL OF OUR ADS BECOME COME PRINT

16 WITH THE FDA MANDATE AS THEY HAVE HIGHLIGHTED IN THEIR WARNING

17 LETTER THAT WAS RECEIVED ON DECEMBER 15TH. I UNDERSTAND THAT

18 THE BOARD MAY HAVE SIGNIFICANT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CONCERNS

19 AND THE DEPTH OF THE OPERATION OF 1-800-GET-THIN AND CERTAIN

20 AFFILIATED SURGERY CENTERS AND OTHER OPERATORS, SO TO SPEAK. I

21 AM NOT SURE THAT TODAY IS THE APPROPRIATE FORUM TO ADDRESS

22 THAT. AS I'VE INDICATED, I HAVE COME BEFORE THE COUNCILMEMBERS

23 TODAY TO SPECIFICALLY LET YOU KNOW THAT WE ARE MAKING EVERY

24 DILIGENT EFFORT TO FULLY COMPLY OUR ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN WITH

25 THE FDA RULES AND REGULATIONS. WE HAVE ALREADY MADE

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1 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO A NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT WE CAN DIRECTLY
2 CONTROL, SUCH AS WEBSITES, TO ENSURE THAT THE PRODUCT
3 INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE FDA IS FULLY LEGIBLE
4 IN A VERY CLEAR AND CONCISE FONT, SO TO SPEAK, SO THAT ANYONE
5 WHO DOES TOUCH THE WEBSITES WILL HAVE THE APPROPRIATE
6 INFORMATION. WE ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING THE TELEVISION
7 ADVERTISEMENTS, THE RADIO ADVERTISEMENTS AND THE BILLBOARDS,
8 AS WELL, AS TO HOW WE CAN DEVELOP EVEN MORE SUBSTANTIAL
9 DISCLOSURES TO COMPLY WITH THE FDA.

10

11 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT YOUR BILLBOARDS?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE WORKING ON BILLBOARDS. WE ARE WORKING ON THE
14 LANGUAGE RIGHT NOW TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE. MY CONCERN OR MY
15 REQUEST TO THE BOARD MEMBERS WOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
16 FDA WARNING LETTER, WE HAVE 15 BUSINESS DAYS IN WHICH TO
17 RESPOND. I HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN TO THE FDA. WE HAVE BEEN
18 COOPERATING WITH THEM. WE ARE WORKING OUT INFORMATION TO
19 DEVELOP AS TO A PROPOSAL THAT WE WILL PUT FORTH TO THE FDA FOR
20 THEIR ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL. AND I AM CONFIDENT --

21

22 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** A PROPOSAL FOR WHAT?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** WELL, OUR RESPONSE TO THE FDA WARNING LETTER WILL
25 INCLUDE --

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2 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I ASKED YOU SPECIFICALLY TO
3 BILLBOARDS. IS THIS A PROPOSAL TO BILLBOARDS YOU ARE MAKING?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES, IT WILL INCLUDE THE APPROPRIATE WARNING LABEL
6 THAT WE WILL BE PLACING ON BILLBOARDS.

7

8 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT IS YOUR IDEA? WHAT'S YOUR
9 THINKING AS YOU SIT HERE TODAY AS TO HOW YOU'RE GOING TO
10 ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF WARNING POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS OF THE RISKS
11 ASSOCIATED WITH YOUR SURGICAL PROCEDURE ON BILLBOARDS?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THERE'S A NUMBER OF MANUFACTURERS WHO DO
14 ACTUALLY PRODUCE THE LAP BAND. 1-800-GET-THIN IS NEITHER THE
15 SELLER OR DISTRIBUTOR OF LAP BANDS. WE ARE MERELY THE
16 EQUIVALENT OF 1-800-DENTISTS OR OTHER REFERRAL BASE OF
17 PROCEDURES OR SYSTEMS. AS WE ARE NOT THE SELLER OF THIS, THERE
18 IS SIGNIFICANT QUESTIONS AS TO WHETHER OR NOT WE FALL UNDER
19 THE MANDATES OF THE FDA. HOWEVER, IT IS OUR POSITION THAT WE
20 ARE GOING TO COME INTO FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE FDA MANDATE.
21 SO FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE, THE ONLY GUIDANCE WE HAVE IS TO LOOK
22 AT THE ACTUAL MANUFACTURERS OF THE LAP BAND PRODUCT AND TO
23 ADOPT THE DISCLOSURES THAT THOSE PARTICULAR MANUFACTURERS --

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS YOUR ROLE? WHAT IS YOUR
2 ROLE?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY.

5

6 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHAT IS THE
7 ROLE OF 1-800-GET-THIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** 1-800-GET-THIN IS A MARKETER OF THE LAP BAND PRODUCT
10 AS WELL AS OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES AND WEIGHT LOSS AS WELL
11 AS MEDICAL WEIGHT LOSS, DOCTORS WHO PROVIDE WEIGHT LOSS.

12

13 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AS THE MARKETER, THE ISSUE OF
14 INFORMING PROSPECTIVE PATIENTS OR CLIENTS IS YOUR
15 RESPONSIBILITY TO TO THEM ABOUT THE RISKS, ARE THEY NOT?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WE HAVE DISCLOSURES ON OUR CURRENT ADVERTISING.

18

19 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I GUESS THE FDA DIDN'T THINK YOU
20 HAD ENOUGH DISCLOSURE.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, CHAIRMAN, THE FDA HAS LOOKED AT
23 OUR DISCLOSURES AND FELT THAT IT DID NOT GO FAR ENOUGH.

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHY DID YOU SAY WITH ALL DUE
2 RESPECT? YOU AGREE WITH ME?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** NO, THEY DID NOT SAY WE HAD NOTHING. THEY SAID OUR
5 RISK DISCLOSURE WAS NOT SUFFICIENT ENOUGH.

6

7 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I STAND CORRECTED. YOUR RISK
8 ANNOUNCEMENTS ON YOUR ADVERTISING IS NOT SUFFICIENT ACCORDING
9 TO THE FDA.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** APPARENTLY BASED UPON THE WARNING LETTER WE HAD
12 RECEIVED, THEY BELIEVED IT DID NOT GO FAR ENOUGH. WE ARE
13 PREPARED TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES IN ORDER TO SATISFY THE FDA
14 REQUIREMENTS.

15

16 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU INVOLVED IN THE SURGICAL
17 PROCEDURES AT ALL?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY NOT.

20

21 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ZO THEY PAY YOU? DO THE SURGICAL
22 CENTERS PAY YOU? WHAT'S YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SURGICAL
23 CENTERS THAT ACTUALLY DO THE SURGICAL PROCEDURES?

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1 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE A MARKETING COMPANY AND WE HAVE BUSINESS
2 PARTNERS.

3

4 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE A MARKETING COMPANY AND WE HAVE BUSINESS
7 PARTNERS.

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON ONE SECOND. UH, NOT
10 ANSWERING MY QUESTION. WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE
11 SURGICAL CENTERS? WOULD YOU PLEASE ADVISE PEOPLE WHO ARE
12 TALKING EITHER SETTING UP OR ESCORT THEM OUT?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIR, WE HAVE BUSINESS PARTNERS. AND I'M NOT AT
15 LIBERTY TO DISCLOSE WHO OUR BUSINESS PARTNERS ARE.

16

17 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO DISCLOSE THE
18 NAMES. GENERICALLY, DO YOU HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP?
19 WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SURGICAL CENTERS AS A
20 GENERIC ENTITY?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** AS A GENERIC ENTITY WE ARE HIRED TO DO MARKETING FOR
23 CERTAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES?

24

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR
2 ACCURATELY AND TRUTHFULLY DISCLOSING WHAT THE RISKS ARE? BOTH
3 THE BENEFITS AS WELL AS THE RISKS TO THIS SURGICAL PROCEDURE?
4

5 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IN FRONT OF ME I HAVE A BOOK THAT I'M
6 PREPARED TO PROVIDE TO EACH OF THE COUNCILMEMBERS THAT ARE
7 HERE, I'M SORRY, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND IN THIS BOOK, YOU
8 WILL SEE THAT OUR BILLBOARDS DO CONTAIN A DISCLOSURE
9 STATEMENT. WHAT YOU WILL ALSO SEE IS PROBABLY A DOZEN OTHER
10 SURGERY CENTERS, ACTUAL SURGERY CENTERS, ACTUAL SURGERY
11 CENTERS THAT PERFORM THIS SURGICAL PROCEDURE THAT HAVE
12 ABSOLUTELY ZERO RISK DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS. SO WHILE THE FDA
13 HAS TAKEN A LOOK AT THE RISK DISCLOSURE STATEMENT THAT WE HAVE
14 PRODUCED ON OUR PARTICULAR BILLBOARDS AND ACROSS OUR MEDIUM,
15 THEY HAVE FOUND THAT TO BE INSUFFICIENT. IT IS REGRETTABLE
16 THAT THEY HAVE COME TO THAT CONCLUSION. WE ARE WILLING TO WORK
17 AND CHANGE THAT. WHAT WE HAVE OUT THERE IS A NUMBER OF OTHER -
18 -

19
20 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOUR DEFENSE IS THAT DON'T LOOK
21 AT US. THEY'RE NOT HOLDING EVERYBODY ELSE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE
22 SAME STANDARD.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** MY POINT IS WE HAVE BEEN A LEADER IN THIS FIELD. WE
25 CONTINUE TO BE A LEADER AND WE WILL ALWAYS BE WAY LEADER. AND

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1 THAT MEANS IF THE FDA NEEDS TO CHANGE OUR ADDS TO MAKE THEM
2 FOR COMPLIANT, WE WILL CHANGE OUR ADSTO BE MORE COMPLIANT.
3 LEADERS DON'T TRY TO HIDE WHO THEIR BUSINESS PARTNERS ARE ON
4 SOMETHING THAT'S A MAJOR PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERN, NOT JUST TO
5 US. WE'RE SMALL IN THIS POD. BUT TO THE FDA AND GHODZ WHAT
6 OTHER REGULATORY AGENCIES. I'M JUST FINDING IT HARD TO BELIEVE
7 AT THIS STRANGE LOGIC AT THE RECEIVING END HERE THAT YOU HAVE
8 ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THE SURGICAL CENTERS. THAT'S NOT
9 MY UNDERSTANDING.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** MY COMPANY HAS NO OWNERSHIP CONTROL OVER ANY SURGERY
12 CENTER, SIR. WHAT 1-800-GET-THIN HAS AN OBLIGATION TO ENSURE
13 THAT ANY PATIENT REFERRED TO ANY DOCTOR OR FACILITY TO ENSURE
14 THAT THOSE DOCTORS ARE ADEQUATELY SUITABLE TO DO THESE
15 PROCEDURES.

16

17 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ANY BUSINESS
18 RELATIONSHIP AS AN INDIVIDUAL WITH ANY OF THE SURGICAL
19 CENTERS?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY NOT.

22

23 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE WORKER'S COMP
24 INSURANCE?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

2

3 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU LET YOUR WORKERS' COMP
4 INSURANCE WITH THE PREVIOUS INSURANCE COMPANY OR CURRENT
5 INSURANCE COMPANY LAPSE AT SOME POINT?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF, NO, SIR. 1-800-GET THIN? I'M
8 NOT AWARE OF THAT.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR ANYBODY ELSE YOU MAY HAVE BEEN
11 ASSOCIATED WITH.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF 1-800-GET-THIN.

14

15 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU EVER HAVE ANY WORKER'S
16 COMPENSATION OR ANY WITH FARMER'S INSURANCE COMPANY? THAT
17 LAPSED?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** 1-800-GET-THIN HAS NOT, NO.

20

21 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER COMPANY WITH WHICH YOU
22 ARE AFFILIATED?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** I HAVE NO AFFILIATION WITH ANY OTHER COMPANY OTHER
25 THAN 1-800-GET-THIN. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO HELP US OUT, IF YOU WOULD, IN TERMS OF
3 THE LENGTH OF YOUR ASSOCIATION WITH 1-800-GET-THIN?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE LENGTH OF YOUR ASSOCIATION WITH 1-800-
8 GET-THIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I'VE INCORPSATED THE COMPANY AND HAVE BEEN ITS
11 PRESIDENT SINCE ITS INCEPTION.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHICH IS WHEN?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE IT WAS IN FEBRUARY OF 2010.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FEBRUARY OF 2010. LET ME ASK THE QUESTION
18 THAT I POSED BEFORE AND YOU MAY HAVE SAID THAT YOU DIDN'T
19 THINK IT APPROPRIATE TO GIVE INDICATION OF HOW THE PHONE
20 OPERATORS ARE COMPENSATED? AND I ASK THE QUESTION ABOUT
21 WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE ON COMMISSIONS? I THINK IT WOULD BE
22 ILLUMINATING FOR THE BOARD TO KNOW THAT IN TERMS OF OUR
23 UNDERSTANDING HOW THE BUSINESS OPERATES.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** 1-800-GET-THIN IS A MARKETING COMPANY. 1-800-THIN
2 DOES NOT OPERATE A CALL CENTER.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE QUESTION IS ARE THERE COMMISSIONS, OR
5 NO?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD NOT BE THE APPROPRIATE PERSON TO ANSWER THAT
8 QUESTION.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** I AM A PRESIDENT OF 1-800-GET THIN. IT IS A PHONE
13 NUMBER. AND AS IS TYPICAL WITH MOST CALL-IN THES IF YOU WOULD
14 ASK GENERAL ELECTRIC FOR PRODUCT SUPPORT, YOU'D PROBABLY REACH
15 SOME CALL CENTER IN INDIA. I BELIEVE THE CALL CENTER IS LOCAL,
16 BUT 1-800-GET THIN DOES NOT CONTROL OWNER OPERATED CALLS.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO HOW MANY EMPLOYEES ARE -- HOW MANY
19 PERSONS ARE EMPLOYED BY 1-800-GET-THIN?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T BELIEVE 100800 HAS ANY DIRECT EMPLOYEES.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DIRECT EMPLOYEES? CONTRACT EMPLOYEES? OR
24 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE SOMETHING SIMILAR TO THAT, SIR.

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT'S THE VOLUME? WE'RE TRYING TO GET A
4 SENSE OF THATTIBLE HE. I BELIEVE THAT'S A REASONABLE QUESTION.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE AS 100800 GET THIN WE'RE HER IN RESPONSE TO
7 A WARNING LETTER IN REGARD TO OUR ADVERTISING. OUR ADVERTISING
8 AS I STAND HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY IS TO ENSURE THAT WE BECOME
9 FDA-COMPLIANT WITHIN THIS TIME PIER AND TO WORK WITH -- PERIOD
10 AND TO WORK WITH THE FDA TO MAKE SURE OUR ADS ARE FULLY
11 COMPLIANT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I TAKE THAT AS UNWILLINGNESS TO ANSWER
14 THAT QUESTION, THAT'S PRETTY CLEAR. LET ME ASK YOU ANOTHER
15 QUESTION IF YOU WOULD BE SO KIND TO ANSWER IT. THE
16 DEMOGRAPHICS OF THOSE WHO ARE CALLERS AND THOSE WHO ARE
17 REFERRED, CAN YOU HELP US WITH THAT?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** IT'S ACROSS-THE-BOARD. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY ONE
20 SPECIFIC MALE OR FEMALE, BLACK, WHITE, INDIAN, ASIAN,
21 WHICHEVER YOU PREFER, IT'S SIMPLY AMERICA. WE HAVE PEOPLE FROM
22 ALL RACES, MALE AND FEMALE, CALL IN ORDER TO SEEK HELP.
23 OBESITY IS A WORLDWIDE EPIDEMIC AT THIS POINT. RECENT STUDIES
24 HAVE SHOWN THAT OBESITY IN CALIFORNIA IS AS HIGH AS 25
25 PERCENT. THERE ARE MANY, MANY PEOPLE OUT THERE ACROSS-THE-

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1 BOARD, IT'S NOT SPECIFIC TO ANY PARTICULAR INCOME OR GENDER OR
2 RACE. IT'S A GROWING EPIDEMIC THAT NEEDS SIGNIFICANT HELP.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK IT'S REASONABLE TO SAY THAT THE
5 ISSUE OF OBESITY IS CERTAINLY A HUGE CHALLENGE FOR NOT ONLY
6 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BUT THE NATION AS A WHOLE. BUT THERE
7 IS DEMOGRAPHIC DATA THAT GIVES A PROFILE WHERE THE PROBLEMS
8 ARE MOST ACUTE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THAT INFORMATION IS
9 NOT ONLY KNOWABLE BUT ASCERTAINABLE. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR
10 YOU TO LEARN OF IT. WHAT ABOUT THE OUTREACH? IS IT MULTI-
11 LINGUAL, YOUR ADVERTISEMENT? IS IT IN A VARIETY OF
12 COMMUNITIES? YOU SAY THAT OR IT'S ENGLISH ONLY?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE THE CURRENT ADS ARE IN ENGLISH ONLY?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ENGLISH ONLY?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YEAH.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THE 90 SOME PLUS LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS
21 IN THIS REGION ALONE YOU SEEK NOT TO REACH INTO IN TERMS OF
22 THE NATIVE LANGUAGE OR MOTHER TONGUE OF THOSE SPECIFIC
23 INDIVIDUALS WHO MIGHT BE SEEKING YOUR SERVICES?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE CONSIDERED AND I BELIEVE
2 WE'RE WORKING ON DEVELOPING OTHER LANGUAGES.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MULTILINGUAL BILLBOARDS AT THIS POINT?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** NOT THAT I'M AWARE.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOT THAT YOU'RE AWARE OF. THERE MAY BE BUT
9 YOU JUST DON'T KNOW?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** I'M FAIRLY CONFIDENT THERE ARE NOT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, MR. CHAIR, THERE ARE SEVERAL
14 ITEMS THAT ARE SOUGHT IN THE BOARD ACTION TODAY. I DON'T KNOW
15 IF YOU WANT TO ANSWER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS BEFORE WE DISPOSE OF
16 IT.

17

18 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WANT TO FOLLOW-UP WITH SOMETHING
19 THAT WAS SAID EARLIER BY MR. SILVERMAN. YOU WERE SAYING
20 SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT YOU REFER CLIENTS TO SURGERY
21 CENTERS? THAT YOUR COMPANY REFERS CLIENTS TO SURGERY CENTERS,
22 IS THAT CORRECT?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S ONE OF THE ENTITIES.

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ONE OF THE WHAT?

2

3 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S ONE POTENTIAL, YES.

4

5 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ONE POTENTIAL WHAT?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** REFERRAL.

8

9 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF I CALL UP 1-800-GET THIN AND I
10 WANT TO HAVE THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE, DO YOU REFER ME TO A
11 SURGICAL CENTER, YES OR NO?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** IT'S POSSIBLE. IT WOULD DEPEND ON YOUR LOCATION.

14

15 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BUT THAT'S ONE OF YOUR
16 PRIMARY FUNCTIONS?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** IF SOMEONE WERE TO CALL 1-800-GET THIN THEY WOULD BE
19 REFERRED TO A FREE SEMINAR TO LEARN MORE EDUCATION ABOUT THE
20 LAP BAND.

21

22 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO RUNS THE SEMINAR?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** A DOCTOR WOULD RUN THE SEMINAR.

25

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND YOU REFER THE POTENTIAL PATIENT
2 TO THAT SEMINAR?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** YES. THAT'S THE ONLY --

5

6 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEAR WHERE THEY LIVE, CONVENIENT TO
7 THEIR LOCATION.

8

9

10

11 **>>:** YES, IT WOULD BE ALL BE BASED ON THEIR LOCATION.

12

13 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN YOU REFER THEM TO A
14 SURGICAL CENTER?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** IT'S NOT NECESSARILY A SURGICAL CENTER. THERE'S
17 CERTAINLY JUST GENERIC MEDICAL OFFICES.

18

19 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU JUST GOT THROUGH TELLING ME THE
20 POSSIBILITIES THAT YOU REFER PEOPLE TO SURGICAL CENTERS.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THAT IS ONE OF THE POSSIBILITIES.

23

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU DO REFER PEOPLE TO SURGICAL
2 CENTERS AT SOME POINT IN TIME, TO SOME NUMBER OF YOUR CALLS,
3 CORRECT?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** DEPENDING UPON WHERE THE LOCATION.

6

7 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY CAN'T YOU JUST ANSWER A
8 STRAIGHT QUESTION. DO YOU EVER REFER PEOPLE TO A SURGICAL
9 CENTER?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** SOME PEOPLE WILL BE REFERRED.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** BY YOU. BY YOUR COMPANY.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YES.

16

17 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN YOU SAID EARLIER THAT IT'S
18 YOUR OBLIGATION, I BELIEVE I HEARD THIS CORRECTLY, TO ENSURE
19 THAT THE SURGERY CENTERS ARE DOING A GOOD JOB.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** OF COURSE.

22

23 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW DO YOU DO THAT?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** WE DO SURVEYS.

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1

2 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO DO YOU SURVEY?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WE TRACK THE PATIENTS THAT ARE HANDLED THROUGH THE
5 SURGERY CENTERS.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I THINK I CAN ANSWER A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
8 THAT.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S YOUR POSITION?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** I'M BRIAN OXMAN, I AM THE ATTORNEY. MY CLIENT IS 1-
13 800-GET THIN. OUR SURGERY CENTERS HAVE A BETTER TRACK RECORD
14 THAN JUST ABOUT ANYBODY ELSE. LISTEN. I APPRECIATE THIS.
15 YOU'RE ON MY TIME. THIS IS NOT AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO
16 ADVERTISE YOUR PRODUCT. I'VE READ YOUR LETTERS. I'VE READ YOUR
17 LETTER TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOUR
18 POSITION IS. AND I'M NOT GOING TO PURSUE THIS ANY FURTHER AT
19 THIS POINT BECAUSE IT IS TAKING VALUABLE TIME OUT OF OUR
20 PROCEEDING. I JUST WANT TO SAY ONE THING. IT'S BEEN A LONG
21 TIME SINCE A WITNESS OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS COME TO THAT
22 TABLE AND HAS OBFUSCATED AS CONSISTENTLY AND PERSISTENTLY AS
23 YOU HAVE TODAY. I DID NOT COME HERE AS A PERSON WHO HAD ANY
24 FUNDAMENTAL SUSPICION ONE WAY OR THE OTHER OF WHAT YOU WERE
25 DOING. I LEAVE HERE NOW WITH THINKING YOU ARE HIDING

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1 SOMETHING. I GET THAT FEELING. YOU HAVE NOT ANSWERED A
2 QUESTION STRAIGHT SINCE YOU CAME DOWN HERE. AND I'M VERY
3 TROUBLED BY THAT. AND SO I APPRECIATE THAT YOU'VE DONE THAT
4 BECAUSE YOU'VE NOW ENERGIZED ME. AND WE'LL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY
5 AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR INITIATING
6 THIS.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** IF I MAY, MR. CHAIRMAN?

9

10 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN HAVE THE LAST WORD.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APOLOGIZE YOU FEEL THAT WAY.
13 BUT I FEEL THAT SOME OF YOUR QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN TRYING TO
14 PLACE SOME TYPE OF CORNER WITH REGARD THOUSAND I CAN ANSWER.
15 IF A PERSON WERE TO CALL 1800 GET THIN. THEY MAY END UP AT A
16 DOCTOR'S OFFICE. THEY MAY END UP AT A SURGERY CENTER. THEY MAY
17 END UP AT A HOSPITAL. THOSE ARE ALL POSSIBILITIES OF WHERE A
18 PERSON WILL END UP. THERE IS NO PREDETERMINED SITUATION HERE
19 THAT I CAN ANSWER THAT QUESTION SPECIFICALLY.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT.

22

23 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE DOCTORS MANNING THE
24 PHONES?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY.

2

3 **ZEVE YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE DOCTORS MANNING THE
4 PHONES?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF, NO. THERE'S NO MEDICAL
7 INFORMATION THAT'S GIVEN. THERE'S A PERSON IS TAKING THEIR
8 BASIC INFORMATION AS TO CONTACT AND THEN THEY ARE REFERRED OUT
9 TO WHATEVER LOCATION IS CLOSEST TO THEM AND FOR THEM TO GET A
10 FREE SEMINAR WHERE THEY WILL THEN HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK
11 WITH A DOCTOR, TYPICALLY A LAP BAND SURGEON, WHO CAN GO OVER
12 ALL OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PARTICULAR PROCEDURE.

13

14 **ZEVE YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WELL I'LL TELL YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, FORMER STATE SENATOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
16 WHO WAS IN THE SENATE WHEN THIS ISSUE FIRST CAME TO YOUR
17 ATTENTION AS YOU INDICATED, THIS IS BIZARRE THAT SOMEHOW
18 YOU'RE AN ENTITY WHICH YOU'RE ARGUING IS THAT YOU'RE SOME KIND
19 OF AN ENTITY THAT HAS JUST HOVERING IN SPACE, UNCONNECTED AND
20 NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** NOT SO.

23

24 **ZEVE YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MAY REFER, YOU MAY NOT REFER.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE STRUCTURE OF SUCH AS 1-800-
2 DENTIST OR 1-800 FLOWERS.

3

4 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M LOOKING AT 1800 GET THIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** WE OPERATE THE SAME KIND OF CORPORATE STRUCTURE. YOU
7 SIMPLY GET A MARKETING REFERRAL FIRM IN 1-800-GET THIN. WE
8 MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE TO WHOM WE REFER, DOCTORS OR A
9 SURGERY CENTER, ARE THE BEST OF THE BEST. OUR RECORD IS FOUR
10 TIMES BETTER THAN THE AVERAGE IN CALIFORNIA BY WAY OF
11 COMPLICATION RATES AND BY WAY OF DEATH RATES. IN OTHER WORDS,
12 THERE WAS A STUDY BY THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE STATEWIDE HEALTH
13 PLANNING DEVELOPMENT WHICH FOUND THE AVERAGE ONE-YEAR DEATH
14 RATE FOR SURGERY CENTERS ON BARIATRIC CENTER WAS 3.3 PER 1,000
15 SURGERIES. OUR RATE IS 1 PER 1500 SURGERIES FOR A WHOLE YEAR.
16 WE ARE FOUR TIMES BETTER THAN THE STATEWIDE AVERAGE. SO WHEN
17 YOU ASK WHAT DO WE DO? WE MAKE SURE THAT THESE SURGERY CENTERS
18 AND THE PHYSICIANS TO WHOM WE REFER ARE THE BEST OF THE BEST.
19 THEY ARE FOUR TIMES BETTER THAN THE AVERAGE IN CALIFORNIA.
20 THAT'S WHAT WE DO.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL I APPRECIATE.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** AND WE'LL BE HAPPY TO SHARE THAT INFORMATION.

25

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ONE LAST QUESTION, MARK. I JUST
2 WANT TO BE CLEAR ON THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION. BOTH OF YOU,
3 YOU'RE HIS LAWYER, RIGHT? YOU'RE THE COMPANY'S LAWYER. I JUST
4 WANT TO BE SURE THAT IT'S YOUR TESTIMONY THAT AT NO TIME DID
5 YOU ALLOW 1-800-GET-THIN WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO
6 LAPSE OR THAT YOU UNDERREPORTED YOUR EMPLOYEES AND THUS
7 UNDERPAID YOUR WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE, IS THAT YOUR
8 TESTIMONY?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MARK, I'M SORRY.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL IT'S AN INTERESTING LINE OF INQUIRY,
15 MR. CHAIR, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT WE CAN'T GET A DEFINITIVE
16 ANSWER WITH THE EMPLOYEE --

17

18 **SPEAKER:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, WE ARE HERE TO GET YOU YOUR
19 ANSWER. THAT IS OUR PURPOSE HERE.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** AND WE'LL DO WHATEVER IT IS THAT YOU REQUEST, WE ARE
24 GOING TO COMPLY.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE NOT GOING TO OBFUSCATE. WE'RE NOT GOING TO SAY
4 THINGS THAT ARE NOT CORRECT OR IN ANY MANNER EVASIVE. YOU WANT
5 TO KNOW INFORMATION, YOU'RE GOING GET IT. AND WE ARE GOING TO
6 WORK WITH YOUR STAFF. WE'VE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH YOUR STAFF.
7 YOU ARE GOING TO GET FULL DISCLOSURE HERE. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO
8 GET ANY KIND OF EVASION, AT ALL. ZERO.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT THERE HAVE
11 BEEN A SERIES OF QUESTIONS, SEVERAL QUESTIONS THAT WE POSED,
12 TO WHICH THERE WAS NO APPROPRIATE ANSWER. SO WE ASKED ABOUT
13 THE DEMOGRAPHICS.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE VERY PROUD OF WHAT WE DO.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL I APPRECIATE THAT ASSERTION. BUT WHEN
18 I POSED THE QUESTION ABOUT THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE CALLERS AS
19 BEST AS THEY COULD DETERMINE THAT AND THE REFERRAL, OBVIOUSLY
20 --

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THEY ARE ALL ACROSS THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROM
23 FRESNO TO SAN DIEGO. EVERY RACE, COLOR, CREED. THERE IS NO
24 TARGETING OF ANY MINORITY GROUP. IN FACT, THE STATISTICS OF
25 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FROM THE OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH

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1 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ARE THAT CAUCASIANS WHO REPRESENT
2 ONLY 43 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION, ARE GETTING 63 PERCENT OF
3 THE BARIATRIC PROCEDURES ACROSS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO
4 THERE IS NO TARGETING OF MINORITY GROUPS AT ALL IN ANY WAY,
5 SHAPE OR FORM.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, BUT YOU'RE ANSWERING SOMETHING THAT
8 WASN'T ASKED AT THIS POINT. THE QUESTION WAS ABOUT THE
9 DEMOGRAPHIC DATA.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF WHICH?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE DEMOGRAPHIC DATA. AND YOU BEGAN TO
14 RESPOND TO IT BY SAYING THE DATA WITH WHICH YOU ARE FAMILIAR,
15 FOCUSING ON THE ANGLO POPULATION.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WE DON'T FOCUS ON ANGLO POPULATION. OUR SIGNS IN EAST
18 LOS ANGELES, IN KOREA TOWN, THEY ARE ALL THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN
19 CALIFORNIA.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT YOU DIDN'T PERMIT ME TO FINISH.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** PLEASE.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SAID THE EXAMPLE THAT YOU GAVE WAS ABOUT
2 THE ANGLO POPULATION IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. YOU SAID THAT
3 IT WAS DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH BASED ON ITS NUMBER IN THE
4 POPULATION.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S STATEWIDE. THAT'S ALL SURGERY CENTERS, NOT
7 JUST US.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. SO THERE IS DATA WITH
10 WHICH YOU ARE FAMILIAR.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** OH YES. ABSOLUTELY.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S USEFUL TO KNOW THAT THAT.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** YOU WILL HAVE EVERY OUNCE.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THERE'S MORE. BECAUSE WHEN YOU TALK WITH
19 THE KIND OF FORCE THAT YOU DO ABOUTURED RECORD, IT HAS TO BE -
20 - ABOUT YOUR RECORD, IT HAS TO BE BASED UPON SPECIFIC PATIENT
21 INFORMATION YOU SAY IT IS 1 PERCENT --

22

23 **SPEAKER:** 1 DEATH PER 1500 WHERE THE STATE WHICH HAD AVERAGE
24 WAS 3.3 PER THOUSAND.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PERMIT ME TO PUSH YOU A LITTLE FURTHER. IF
2 YOU DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION, YOU DON'T HAVE TO
3 ATTEMPT IT. BUT THE TIME PERIOD AFTER THE SURGERY THAT THAT
4 COVERS, ONE WEEK? ONE MONTH? ONE YEAR? IT SEEMS TO ME THAT --

5

6 **SPEAKER:** UP TO TWO YEARS.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** UP TO TWO YEARS.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** AND THE EXTENT OF THE FOLLOWUP TREATMENT? ARE YOU
11 INVOLVED IN THAT AT ALL?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THERE ARE FOLLOWUP CALLS MADE BY THE PHYSICIANS. THAT
14 IS PART OF THE ONE OF THE THINGS WE SCREEN FOR. SO WHAT WE NOW
15 HAVE IS FOLLOWUPS FOR OVER TWO YEARS. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
16 OF THE BOARD, OUR CONCERN IS ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC
17 HEALTH AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH OVERLY AGGRESSIVE ADVERTISEMENT
18 WITH WHAT COULD BE CHARACTERIZED AS RISKY AND IN SOME
19 INSTANCES UNSAFE PROCEDURES DOES NEED TO BE CALLED OUT. LET ME
20 FINISH.

21

22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU PLEASE. THE RULES HERE ARE
23 IF YOU'RE ASKED A QUESTION, YOU CAN ANSWER. BUT DON'T
24 INTERRUPT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHEN THEY ARE SPEAKING.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE FDA'S INTERVENTION IS HARDLY
2 IRRELEVANT. THEY UNDERSCORE THE NEED FOR HEIGHTENED, MORE
3 EXTENSIVE DISCLOSURE. SO THE THRUST OF THE MOTION THAT WE
4 BRING FORWARD SEEKS TO ACT OUT OF AN ABUNDANCE OF CONCERN AND
5 CAUTION ABOUT THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE
6 LARGEST COUNTY IN THE NATION AS YOU WELL KNOW AND APPRECIATE.
7 THEREFORE IT SEEMS TO ME WE HAVE AN ADDED BURDEN. SO WE SEEK
8 TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REPORT BACK IN 60
9 DAYS ON THE EFFORTS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF SAFE AND EFFECTIVE
10 ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO ACHIEVE AND MAINTAIN HEALTHIER WEIGHT.
11 THAT'S THIS COUNTY'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY TO SUPPORT THE
12 MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. OUR ROLE IS NOT TO
13 ADVERTISE AND ADVANCE 1-800-GET-THIN. THAT'S SOMEONE ELSE'S
14 JOB, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME. WE WISH TO DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IDENTIFY
16 MEDICAL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES THAT ARE BEING MARKETING IN A
17 DANGEROUSLY AND/OR MISLEADING, A DANGEROUS AND/OR MISLEADING
18 MANNER, DIRECT THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON
19 LEGAL OPTIONS TO ENSURE TRUTHFUL ADVERTISING OF AGGRESSIVE
20 OBESITY TREATMENT PROCEDURES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN A
21 MANNER THAT WOULD COMPLY WITH THE FIRST AMENDMENT OF THE
22 UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND OTHER LAWS, AND FINALLY TO
23 DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO PURSUE LEGISLATION THAT WILL STRENGTHEN
24 THE REGULATION AND OVERSIGHT OF SURGICAL CENTERS AND CLINICS
25 PERFORMING AGGRESSIVE AND INVASIVE OBESITY TREATMENT COSMETIC

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1 PROCEDURES TO INSURE QUALITY OF CARE STANDARDS ARE IN PLACE AT
2 THESE CLINICS AND CHECKED BY THE APPROPRIATE CREDENTIALING
3 AGENCIES. THERE WAS AN AMENDING MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT
4 ADDS TO PURSUE LEGISLATION ON PHYSICIAN-OWNED AMBULATORY
5 SURGERY CLINICS BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
6 LICENSING DIVISION. THE CORRECTION SHOULD BE BY THE STATE
7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH LICENSING DIVISION. WITH THAT --

8

9 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT CORRECTION WILL BE MADE.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE MOVE THE MATTER AS AMENDED.

12

13 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND IT. ONE LAST FEW
14 QUESTIONS. IF THE FDA ASKS YOU TO IMMEDIATELY CEASE MARKETING
15 YOUR PRODUCT, CORRECT, HAVE YOU DONE THAT?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** I'M NOT AWARE THAT THAT'S WHAT THE LETTER SAYS, SIR.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THAT IS NOT WHAT THE FDA SAID. THE FDA LAUNCHED
20 GREATER DISCLOSURES, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND WE ARE HERE TO BE
21 COMPLETELY COMPLIANT WITH THE FDA. AND I WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN
22 COMPLIANT WITH YOU AND THIS BOARD. BECAUSE WE ARE -- WE'RE THE
23 BEST OF THE BEST, SIR. AND WE WANT TO SHOW YOU THAT AND WE
24 WANT TO --

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU KNOW WHO T. TERRY GAR VIN
2 IS?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I'VE SPOKEN WITH HER, YES.

5

6 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS SHE THE ONE WHO SIGNED THE
7 LETTER FROM THE FDA TO YOU?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** NO, SIR.

10

11 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEN WHAT AM I LOOKING AT?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** YOU PROBABLY ARE LOOKING AT AN FDA WARNING LETTER BUT
14 IT WAS SIGNED BY STEVEN SILVERMAN.

15

16 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE CORRECT. SIGNED BY STEVEN
17 SILVERMAN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** IT ASKED 1800 GET THIN TO RESPOND TO TERRY.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** FDA REQUESTS THAT 1800 IMMEDIATELY CEASE USING
22 ADVERTISING THATVY LATES THE ACT. HAVE YOU DONE SO? HAVE YOU -
23 - THEIR REQUEST.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES. WE ARE CHANGING ALL OF OUR ADS TO BE FDA-COME
2 PRINT.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THEY ASKED YOU TO IMMEDIATELY CEASE MARKETING THE LAP
5 BAND. HAVE YOU CEASED --

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THEY ASKED FOR CHANGES IN --

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M READING FROM THE LETTER. DO YOU
10 HAVE THIS LETTER?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YES, WE DO, SIR. FDA REQUESTS THAT 1800 GET THIN
13 MELDLY CEASE MARKETING THE LAP BAND USING ADVERTISING THATVY
14 LATES THE ACT. AND THAT'S PROCEEDING IN THIS LETTER THEY LAID
15 OUT WHAT WAS VIOLATIVE OF THE ACT. YOU'RE IN THE PROCESS OF
16 REDOING THAT NOW? BUT YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO YET.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** NO, WE HAVE ALREADY ASKED FOR ALL THE BILLBOARDS THAT
19 ARE NONCOMPLIANT TO BE PULLED. WE'VE ALREADY CHANGED OUR RADIO
20 AND TV ADVERTISING.

21

22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN WAS THIS LETTER WRITTEN?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY?

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN WAS THE LETTER WERE IN?

2

3 **SPEAKER:** THAT LETTER WAS RECEIVED BY ME ON DECEMBER 14TH.

4

5 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT'S BEEN A WEEK. OKAY. LAST
6 QUESTION, DUPS YOUR COMPANY HAVE ANY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
7 MANUFACTURER OF THE LAP BAND?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY NOT, NO.

10

11 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO LET ME GET THE GIST. UNDERSTAND.
12 YOU HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LAP BAND MANUFACTURER. YOU
13 HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SURGICAL CENTERS. ALL YOU ARE IS
14 A MARKETING OPERATION. HOW DO YOU MAKE MONEY?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE ARE HIRED TO DO MARKETING. IT'S THE
17 SAME --

18

19 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO HIRES YOU?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THE PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE THE REFERRALS. WE REPRESENT
22 THEM. AND WE MAKE THE REFERRALS TO THEM. THAT'S HOW OUR
23 BUSINESS OPERATES. THE SAME AS 1-800-DENTIST. IDENTICAL.

24

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SOY CALL YOU UP, YOU SAY I'M HIRING
2 YOU.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** IF YOU WERE A PHYSICIAN AND YOU WANTED --

5

6 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHO IS
7 HIRING YOU.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THE PHYSICIANS WHO PRACTICE MEDICINE ARE THE ONES WHO
10 WOULD BE THE ONES WHO WE WOULD MAKE REFERRALS TO.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW DO THEY PAY YOU? ON WHAT BASIS?
13 IS IT A FLAT FEE? AS MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS ASKED IS IT A
14 COMMISSION? SOME PERCENTAGE? HOW DO THEY PAY YOU? I'M NOT
15 ASKING YOU HOW MUCH. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE STRUCTURE
16 IS.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** IT IS BASED ON WHAT THE -- THE ANSWER IS THAT WE
19 WOULD SUPPLY YOU WITH THAT INFORMATION. I THINK THAT'S THE
20 BEST THING TO DO. IT IS WE ARE HIRED BY INDIVIDUAL PHYSICIANS.
21 AND THAT IS INFORMATION THAT WE WILL SUPPLY YOU WITH.

22

23 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY CAN'T YOU JUST ANSWER THE
24 QUESTION NOW?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW THE --

2

3 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT ASKING YOU FOR THE AMOUNTS.

4 I JUST GOT THROUGH SAYING I DON'T CARE WHAT THE AMOUNTS. I

5 WANT THE KNOW WHAT THE STRUCTURE IS.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THE ADVERTISING ARRANGEMENT WOULD BE THE SAME AS 1-

8 800 DENTIST IDENTICAL.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT 1800 DENTIST. DO THEY PAY

11 YOU A COMMISSION? DO THEY PAY YOU A FLAT FEE ON THE

12 COMMISSION?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** NO, IT IS FOR SERVICES. FEE FOR SERVICES.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY PER PATIENT THAT IS REFERRED

17 TO THEM?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** NO.

20

21 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY CAN'T YOU JUST TELL ME WHAT THE

22 STRUCTURE IS.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** BASED UPON THE ADVERTISING.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** SERVICES FOR ADVERTISING. COMPENSATED BUY THE
2 PHYSICIANS, WHO COULD OR COULD NOT OWN A GIVEN CLINIC
3 HYPOTHETICALLY. CORRECT?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND THAT.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, WE'VE TRIED TO GET A SENSE OF WHAT
8 THE REVENUE GENERATION -- REVENUE GENERATING SCENARIOS ARE.
9 AND INITIALLY THERE WAS NO RESPONSE. THEN EVENTUALLY --

10

11 **SPEAKER:** IT IS AN ADVERTISING CONTRACT. FEE FOR SERVICES.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WITH THE PHYSICIAN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND HYPOTHETICALLY THE PHYSICIAN COULD BE
18 SUBSTANTIALLY INVOLVED WITH A GIVEN CLINIC? NOT NECESSARILY
19 BUT COULD BE.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THE PHYSICIAN IS THE PHYSICIAN, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS.
22 THEY ARE THE ONES PROVIDING THE SERVICES. THEY RECEIVE THE
23 REFERRAL. SO A CLINIC MUST BE OPERATED BY A PHYSICIAN.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THERE'S A DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN THE
2 PHYSICIAN WHO PAYS YOU AND THE GIVEN CLINIC?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN THE PHYSICIAN AND PATIENT,
5 ABSOLUTELY.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOT THE PATIENT BUT THE CLINIC.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THE PHYSICIAN OPERATES THE CLINIC, YES.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

12

13 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A MOTION BEFORE US. ANY
14 OTHER DISCUSSION? MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. I'LL SECOND IT.
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, AS CORRECTED, AS AMENDED, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON ITEM A-6 IF WE COULD HAVE MENTAL HEALTH
23 AND THE SHERIFF.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MARK DELGADO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
3 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE. AND LAST WEEK CCJCC IN
4 COLLABORATION WITH THE IMPACTED DEPARTMENTS PROVIDED YOUR
5 BOARD WITH A STATUS REPORT ON RE-ALIGNMENT IMPLEMENTATION IN
6 THE COUNTY INCLUDING DATA THAT DEPARTMENTS HAVE COLLECTED FOR
7 THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER. AND THAT MEMO IS DATED DECEMBER 15TH.
8 I'D LIKE TO PROVIDE JUST A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE MEMO AND THEN
9 I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES TO ADD
10 OR HIGHLIGHT ANY POINTS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE AS WELL AS
11 ADDRESS ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTIONS I HAVE RELATIVE, WE'VE HAD 1269
14 PAROLEES RELEASED TO PROBATION IN NOVEMBER, WHICH TOTALS FROM
15 2,305. THE PRERELEASE PACKETS IN NOVEMBER, IT'S A TOTAL NOW OF
16 4, 851. WE'VE HAD 268 PAROLEES ASSESSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 MENTAL HEALTH, OF WHICH 47 DID NOT NEED TREATMENT, BUT 68
18 REFUSED SERVICES AND 153 WERE REFERRED TO TREATMENT SERVICES.
19 SO THE TOTAL ASSESSED SINCE OCTOBER OF THE 515, 144 HAVE
20 REFUSED TREATMENT AND 288 HAVE GONE TO TREATMENT. THE 399 WHO
21 WERE REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION,
22 56 REPORTED FOR SERVICES THIS MONTH. AND OF THE TOTAL SINCE
23 OCTOBER OF THE 722 FOR REFERRALS, ONLY 65 HAVE SHOWED UP. AND
24 THIS IS AGAIN LOOKS LIKE -- NOT LOOKS LIKE, IT IS A PANDORA'S
25 BOX WHERE WE'RE HAVING AN INFLUX IN OUR COMMUNITY OF THESE

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1 PEOPLE FROM THE STATE RE-ALIGNMENT, PUTTING THESE INDIVIDUALS
2 IN LOCAL CONTROL. OF THE SHERIFF'S JAIL POPULATION, THE
3 AVERAGE LENGTHS OF SENTENCE IS 25 MONTHS. THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF
4 TIME LEFT TO SERVE UPON SENTENCING IS 7-1/2 MONTHS. AND OF THE
5 67 NON, NON, NON, NOS ASSIGNED ACTION WORKERS, 38 ARE OUT ON
6 ELECTRONIC MONITORING GPS, WHICH IS BASICALLY NO PROHIBITION
7 AGAINST COMMITTING ANOTHER CRIME IF THEY SO DESIRE. SO THE
8 QUESTIONS THAT WE HAVE, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW COULD YOU
9 ELABORATE ON THE SPECIAL HANDLING REQUESTS, SPECIFICALLY WHAT
10 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IS DOING THAT THEY WILL NO
11 LONGER BE DOING AND HOW THAT IMPACTS YOUR DEPARTMENT IN
12 PROBATION?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** MR. SUPERVISOR, JERRY POWERS, CHIEF PROBATION
15 OFFICER, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. ESSENTIALLY WHAT THE SPECIAL
16 HANDLING IS IS A CLASSIFICATION THAT C.D.C.R. USES FOR
17 INDIVIDUALS WHO THEY BELIEVE EITHER HAVE SIGNIFICANT MENTAL
18 HEALTH ISSUES OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENTS THAT WOULD NOT -- THEY
19 BELIEVE MIGHT IMPAIR THEIR ABILITY TO ACTUALLY MAKE THE TRIP
20 FROM THE FACILITY BACK TO OUR COUNTY OR MAY HAVE SOME HIGH
21 LEVEL SECURITY ISSUES THAT THEY BELIEVE THE COUNTY SHOULD BE
22 AWARE OF AND TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO THE INDIVIDUAL
23 BEING RELEASED. IT'S AVERAGING SOMEWHERE AROUND 20, 21 A MONTH
24 SO FAR FOR US. WHAT THEY HAVE DONE OR WHAT CDCR HAS AGREED TO
25 DO IS TO TRANSPORT THESE INDIVIDUALS TO ONE OF L.A. COUNT

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1 COUNTY'S FACILITIES TO PUT THEM CLOSER TO US, ONE OF THE STATE
2 FACILITIES IN L.A. COUNTY, I SHOULD CLARIFY, SO THAT WE DON'T,
3 FOR INSTANCE VTO TRAVEL UP TO PELICAN BAY TO PICK UP SOMEONE,
4 SO THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY TRAVELING WITHIN THE COUNTY TO PICK
5 THEM UP AND RETURN THEM TO EITHER A HUB OR TO A MENTAL HEALTH
6 PROGRAM OR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL CAN THE CONTRACTOR THAT WE HAVE IN
9 TODAY'S AGENDA, ASH BURY PROVIDE THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
10 FOR THAT AS PART OF THEIR SERVICES WE WOULD INCLUDE IN THE
11 CONTRACT?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION, YES. IN SOME INSTANCES, I
14 WOULD SAY ABSOLUTELY. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE MENTAL CHALLENGES OR
15 THINGS LIKE THAT, IF IT'S A SITUATION WHERE IT'S A SECURITY
16 CONCERN FOR US AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GOT THE BODY
17 AND THAT WE WANT TO CONTROL WHERE THAT PERSON IS IN OUR COUNTY
18 AND THINGS LIKE THAT, I'D SAY NO, WE'RE GOING GO GET THEM.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU CAN DO THAT UNILATERALLY WITH THE
21 MOTION THAT WAS APPROVED TODAY?

22

23 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. NOW THE QUESTION THAT IS I THINK VERY
2 SHOCKING, OF THE 722 PAROLEES WHO HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR
3 SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, ONLY 65 ARE ACTUALLY REPORTING
4 RECEIVING THESE SERVICES. IS REQUIREMENT OF THESE SERVICES A
5 CONDITION OF THEIR PAROLE BY THE STATE?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** IT'S NOT A STANDARD CONDITION, MR. SUPERVISOR. THAT'S
8 PART OF THE REASON THE NUMBERS ARE SO FAR APART IS WHEN THESE
9 INDIVIDUALS ARE PROCESSED FOR RELEASE, IT TYPICALLY IS NOT A
10 STANDARD CONDITION. THERE ARE STANDARD CONDITIONS SUCH AS
11 SEARCH AND SEIZURE AND THINGS LIKE THAT. WHAT IT IS IS IT'S AN
12 ADDED CONDITION ONCE THEY REPORT TO US. SO WHAT HAPPENS IS
13 THEY SHOW UP AT ONE OF OUR HUBS, AND THEY'RE ASSESSED. WE SEE
14 THAT THEY HAVE SOME SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES AND WE MAKE A
15 VOLUNTARY REFERRAL INITIALLY BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY
16 UNDER THE SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO COMPEL IT BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T
17 BEEN ADDED YET. BUT ONCE THOSE SPECIAL CONDITIONS ARE ADDED,
18 THEN WE CAN COMPEL THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THESE SESSIONS. SO WHAT
19 I WOULD SAY TO YOU IS THAT AS WE MOVE FARTHER INTO THIS RE-
20 ALIGNMENT PROCESS, YOU'LL SEE THAT NUMBER INCREASE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DO YOU HAVE TO HAVE A TIME DELAY TO
23 REQUIRE THAT THEY RECEIVE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** THE TIME DELAY IS SIMPLY A PRO FUNCTION OF THE
2 PROCESS. BECAUSE ONCE WE GET THEM, WE THEN HAVE TO NOTICE THEM
3 OF THE NEW CONDITION OF RELEASE, IN OTHER WORDS, JUST LIKE A
4 PROBATION CONDITION OR PAROLE CONDITION, WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM
5 NOTICE THAT WE'RE IMPLEMENTING THIS NEW REQUIREMENT UPON THEM.
6 THEY HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF IT AND PROCEDURALLY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN'T THE STATE DO THAT PRIOR TO RELEASING
9 THEM TO US?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THEY CAN.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE DESIRE.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** SIR, IF WE GOT SUFFICIENT NOTICE, WE COULD NOTIFY THE
16 STATE THAT WE WOULD LIKE A CERTAIN CONDITION ADDED TO THEM.
17 THE PROBLEM IS OR THE ISSUE BECOMES --

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WHY ISN'T IT A BLANKET REQUIREMENT THAT
20 THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL RECEIVE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AS A
21 CONDITION OF THE PAROLE FROM THE STATE? BECAUSE THE STATE IS
22 THE ONE THAT'S DRUMPING THEIR -- DUMPING THEIR, WAREHOUSING
23 THEM FROM THE JAILS TO HERE WITH NO REQUIREMENTS. IT'S A NO
24 BRAINER THAT IF YOU'RE AN ABUSER, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE
25 SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT.

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2 **SPEAKER:** UNDERSTOOD. BUT I THINK PART OF THAT IS INTERNAL TO
3 THE STATE SYSTEM AND I CAN'T SPEAK TO WHAT --

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S DYSFUNCTIONAL.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I THINK WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE THAT
8 THAT'S PROBABLY THE CASE, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT IDENTIFIES 62 PERSONS THAT HAVE HAD THEIR
11 CASES FORWARDED TO THE D.A. FOR PROSECUTION. ARE THESE NEW
12 CHARGES THAT THEY'RE BEING CHARGED WITH? AND IF SO, WHAT ARE
13 THE CHARGES?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THEY'RE CRIMINAL CHARGES. I LOOKED AT THE LIST BEFORE
16 I CAME OUT TODAY. IT RUNS THE GAMUT. YOU'RE LOOKING AT A
17 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF DRUG OFFENSES, POSSESSION, SALE, UNDER
18 THE INFLUENCE, AUTO THEFT, BURGLARY, BRANDISHING WEAPONS, IT
19 RUNS THE GAMUT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT KIND OF WEAPONS ARE THEY USING? GUNS,
22 KNIVES?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T HAVE THE SPECIFIC. I WOULD SAY PROBABLY ALL
25 OF THE ABOVE, SIR.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THESE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT THE GOVERNOR
3 TOLD US TO OUR FACE WERE GOING TO BE OKAY AND WE COULD HANDLE?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHEN THEY GO THROUGH THE JUDICIAL PROCESS,
8 THE PEOPLE, LET'S SAY THE ONES WITH GUNS, AND THEY ARE
9 SENTENCED, ARE THEY SENTENCED TO A COUNTY JAIL, OR WILL THEY
10 BE SENT BACK TO A STATE PENITENTIARY?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** IN MOST CASES, THEY'RE PROBABLY GOING TO COME BACK ON
13 A LOCAL SENTENCE, SIR.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BACK TO OUR COUNTY JAIL.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THESE PEOPLE CAN SERVE 8, 10, 20 YEARS.
20 IN THE COUNTY JAIL WHICH ARE NOT BUILT FOR 20-YEAR, 10-YEAR
21 PRISON SENTENCES OF FELONS.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** YES. I CAN'T SPEAK TO WHAT --

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ANOTHER THREAT TO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.
2 ON THE SHERIFFS, AS OF DECEMBER 2ND, YOU HAD REPORTED REPORTED
3 -- I HAVE TO CHECK THE UNIFORM -- YOU HAVE HAD 833 SENTENCE
4 PAROLEE VIOLATORS IN JAIL. WHAT IS THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF THEIR
5 SENTENCES?

6
7 **SPEAKER:** THE AVERAGE LENGTH IS 180 DAYS. THEY ACTUALLY STAY
8 156.

9
10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE REPORTS THEY SAY IS SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER
11 THAN ANTICIPATED. HOW MANY WERE WERE YOU ANTICIPATE?

12
13 **SPEAKER:** JUST TO CLARIFY ON THAT. THE SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER WAS
14 THE IMPACT THAT THE POST RELEASE POPULATION HAS HAD ON
15 REVOCATIONS. I DON'T KNOW IF I HAD A PRO JENGZ OF PROJECTION
16 OF WHAT THE PAROLE REVOCATION PROCESS WAS GOING TO BE, BUT
17 THAT WOULD JUST INDICATE OF THE TWO SUPERVISED VIOLATIONS THE
18 POST RELESS AND THE STATE SUPERVISED THE STATE IS HAVING A
19 MORE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AT THIS POINT.

20
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE FIRE CAMPS?

22
23 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE STATE. IT SEEMS
24 LIKE IT'S A GREEN LIGHT. I BELIEVE THE FIRST CAMP WILL BE
25 OCCUPYING WITHIN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. WERE SOME

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1 REQUIREMENTS OF A MINIMUM TWO-YEAR SENTENCE BUT THAT'S BEEN
2 WORKED OUT. AND I THINK WITH THE CURRENT POPULATION OF A YEAR
3 OR LESS THAT WE CAN ACCOMMODATE THOSE INMATES AND START
4 POPULATING THAT IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE -- WE HAD ASKED THAT THE
7 STAFF WAS VISITING AND EXPLORING OTHER DETENTION FACILITIES IN
8 THE STATE OR CONTRACTING, FOR CONTRACTING PURPOSES, WHAT IS
9 THE STATUS OF THE REVIEW OF THOSE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE WANT TO LOOK AT
12 OR USE INITIALLY, SUPERVISOR. I THINK WE COULD HANDLE THE
13 INITIAL THRUST OF THIS INCREASE IN INMATE POPULATION LOCALLY
14 WITHOUT THE USE OF CCS. THERE MIGHT BE SOME CONCERN THAT THEY
15 ARE NOT TITLE 15 COMPLIANT. AND SO WE LOOKED AT THEM. IT'S AN
16 OPTION. BUT IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'RE REALLY PUTTING ON THE
17 BACK BURNER. WE'RE REALLY LOOKING MORE AT THE FIRE CAMPS AND
18 THE LOCAL FACILITIES.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE POPULATION OF THE PROPOSED FIRE
21 CAMPS?

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE INITIALLY IT WAS 800 BEDS. AND WITH SOME
24 INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR, WE COULD PROBABLY BUILD IT OUT TO ABOUT
25 1,000.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABOUT 1,000. BUT THEY HAVE TO BE PHYSICALLY
3 FIT AND ABLE TO FIGHT FIRES.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR. AND LOCALLY AS WE TAKE OVER
6 THE FIRE CAMPS, WE HAVE AN PROCESS THROUGH THE SHERIFF'S
7 DEPARTMENT WHERE THEY WILL BE ASSESSED MEDICALLY AND WILL BE
8 DEEMED FIT AND PUT INTO THOSE FIRE CAMPS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE COMING FROM THE
11 STATE PENITENTIARIES ARE PHYSICALLY FIT TO BE FIGHTING FIRES?
12 IS THE QUESTION. ARE YOU ANTICIPATING A HIGHER INFLUX OF STATE
13 INMATES, AND YOU ALREADY HAVE AN OVERCROWDING CONDITION WHERE
14 YOU HAVE TO RELEASE PEOPLE IN MINUTES, SOMETIMES, OR HOURS.
15 AND THE AVERAGE SENTENCE IS 20 PERCENT OF YOUR SENTENCE? SO
16 YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE FULL COMPLIANCE OF YOUR CURRENT.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE THE FIRE CAMPS WILL WORK WITH MORE OF A FIX
19 FOR THE N3 POPULATION, OUR COUNTY SENTENCING INMATES ARE THE
20 ONES THAT THE 20 PERCENT IS APPLIED TO CURRENTLY AND THE 75
21 PERCENT FOR THE MORE SERIOUS CRIMES. SO THEN WE OBJECT ABLE TO
22 CONTRACT FOR BIDS DOWN THE LINE IF IT'S A CASE WHERE WE MUST
23 ACT BY A CERTAIN TIME, OTHERWISE THERE WILL BE NO LONGER ANY
24 BED SPACE AVAILABLE FOR THAT INMATE?

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1 **SPEAKER:** WELL, POTENTIALLY, YES, SUPERVISOR.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO I WOULD REQUEST THAT YOU PROVIDE US WITH A
4 WRITTEN UPDATE WHERE WE ARE RELATIVE TO THE FIRE CAMPS AS WELL
5 AS THE CONTRACTED CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES BEFORE THE NEXT RE-
6 ALIGNMENT REPORT THAT YOU'LL PRESENT TO THE BOARD. AND THEN I
7 WOULD JUST LIKE TO AMEND THAT ON ITEM A-6, MOVE IT THAT THE
8 BOARD REVISE A-6 TO READ AS FOLLOWS: DISCUSSIONS ON THE STATUS
9 OF PUBLIC SAFETY REQUIREMENT A.B.109 AND ITS IMPACT ON LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BY KNABE. YES. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WAS READING, LOOKING AT THIS REPORT, THE
15 COUNTY-WIDE, THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE REPORT. I'D LIKE TO
16 SC, ASK, YOU'VE READ THIS REPORT. WHAT DOES IT SAY IN US IN
17 L.A. COUNTY OTHER THAN WE'RE COUNTING A LOT OF NUMBERS. WHAT
18 DOES IT SAY?

19

20 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I THINK -- I GUESS MY COMMENTS WOULD BE THAT
21 WE'RE SPENDING A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME TRYING TO GET OUR
22 MINDS AROUND WHAT THIS POPULATION IS. AND, FRANKLY, TO YOUR
23 QUESTION, WHAT IT MEANS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'VE HAD
24 MULTIPLE REQUESTS FROM THE BOARD, FROM ACADEMICS, FROM THE
25 STATE TO TRACK THIS POPULATION. WE DON'T HAVE A GOOD SENSE AT

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1 THIS POINT OF HOW MANY OF THESE PARAMETERS OR ISSUES THAT
2 THESE GUYS PRESENT THAT WE CAN EVEN TRACK OR THAT WE HAVE THE
3 RESOURCES TO TRACK. RIGHT NOW, THIS REPORT IS A BUNCH OF
4 WIDGETS, LET'S BE HONEST. BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT
5 WHAT IS THE IMPORTANT NUMBERS THAT WE NEED TO TRACK.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT IN YOUR OPINION WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT NUMBER
8 TO TRACK?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I THINK SOME OF IT IS WORTHWHILE. WE WANT TO NO
11 HOW MANY OF THESE GUYS ARE REOFFENDING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE
12 WANT TO KNOW WHAT TYPES OF OFFENSES THEY'RE COMMITTING.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** SEE, I SEE IT DIFFERENTLY. BECAUSE THE WHOLE
15 IDEA, AS I UNDERSTAND THIS RE-ALIGNMENT, BESIDES THE CATCH EM
16 AND PUT EM AWAY WAS THE WHOLE IDEA THAT THEY COME NOW TO A SET
17 OF SERVICES. AND WE TALKED A LOT ABOUT IT WHEN WE WERE
18 DESIGNING SUPPOSEDLY THIS PROGRAM, THAT THERE WERE A SET OF
19 REFERRAL SERVICES, EVERYTHING FROM HOUSING TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE
20 TO WHATEVER THEY NEEDED. AND IN HERE, I DON'T GET IT. I DON'T
21 FIND THEM. I GET REFERRALS TO MENTAL HEALTH. AND THEY CAN BE
22 EVERYTHING FROM VERY ACUTE TO 53 PEOPLE THAT SAID SCREW OFF, I
23 DON'T WANT NOTHING. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS FOR US. SO DO
24 WE HAVE 63 LUNATICS WALKING OUT THERE? I DON'T KNOW WHAT
25 YOU'RE TELLING ME. AND SO CONSEQUENTLY I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT

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1 MEANS. YOU HAVE A LOT OF NUMBERS ON THIS REPORT. AND IT LOOKS
2 LIKE NEXT MONTH, I'LL GET MORE NUMBERS. REMEMBER, I WANTED THE
3 OCTOBER SEGREGATED. AND YOU SAID YOU CAN'T DO IT FOR SOME
4 REASON. AND NOW I JUST DON'T KNOW. SO THESE NUMBERS ARE GOING
5 TO KEEP ADDING UP. BUT YOU JUST SEEM TO KNOW WHAT YOU WANT
6 WHEN YOU WANT MORE MONEY, YOU SEEM TO WANT INTERPRETERS FOR
7 REVOCATION HEARINGS, OF WHICH YOU'VE HAD NONE. WHAT IS IT WITH
8 THIS REPORT? SHOULDN'T IT BE MORE SUBSTANTIVE FROM THE
9 STANDPOINT OF ACHIEVING THE GOALS INSTEAD OF JUST NUMBER
10 COUNTING? NOW, I APPRECIATE THE NUMBER COUNTS BECAUSE THAT'S
11 ALWAYS GOOD BACKUP. BUT THIS REPORT HAS NO ANALYSIS
12 WHATSOEVER. IT HAS NO SUBSTANCE FROM THE STANDPOINT OF WHAT IS
13 IT THAT WE ARE DOING HERE. BESIDES COUNTING THESE FOLKS? I
14 MEAN WHEN WE GET REFERRED TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND 63
15 PEOPLE SAID "I DON'T WANT TO GO" WHAT LEVEL OF 63 PEOPLE SAID
16 THAT? AND WHERE DID THEY GO?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, IF I CAN RESPOND TO THAT. I THINK THAT
19 YOUR POINTS ARE VERY WELL TAKEN.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** COUNTER.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY?

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE JUST THE NUMBER COUNTER.

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2 **SPEAKER:** NO. I THINK AS THE CHIEF WAS MENTIONING, EVERYONE IS
3 TRYING TO GET THEIR HANDS AROUND THIS.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET YOUR HANDS AROUND
6 IT? YOU GOT THE NUMBERS. WHO'S GOING TO ANALYZE WHAT THOSE
7 NUMBERS MEAN?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** I SUGGEST THAT THIS IS' OBVIOUSLY PUBLIC SAFETY RE-
10 ALIGNMENT THAT HAS BEEN WORKING ON IMPLEMENTING THIS PROGRAM.
11 I SUGGEST AND WELL GO BACK TO PUT TOGETHER A GROUP THAT WILL
12 REDESIGN THIS REPORT IN A WAY THAT WILL ADDRESS, FIRST OFF,
13 IDENTIFY THE ISSUES THAT I THINK WOULD BE IN OUR OPINION AND
14 PROVIDE YOUR BOARD THE BEST AMOUNT OF INFORMATION.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT IS THE END RESULT HERE? I MEAN, SUPPOSEDLY
17 IS IT YOU ARE JUST WAITING FOR THEM TO REOFFEND AND LET'S
18 CATCH THEM AND LOCK THEM UP AGAIN? THAT'S THE POINT? I DON'T
19 THINK THAT WAS THE POINT. I THOUGHT THE POINT WAS THAT WE'RE
20 GOING TO TRY AND, QUOTE, FIND A WAY TO CREATE SUPPORTIVE
21 SERVICES FOR THESE FOLKS THAT NEED HELP AT ALL DIFFERENT
22 LEVELS. AND YET I DON'T SEE THAT IN THIS REPORT. I MEAN I
23 DON'T EVEN SEE THE REOFFEND STUFF BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T CAUGHT
24 ANYBODY AS OF YET. SO I'M NOT SO SURE THAT YOU'RE GETTING IT.
25 SO YOU'RE GIVING ME A LOT OF NUMBERS, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT

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1 EVEN THREE MONTHS OR SIX MONTHS FROM NOW THIS IS GOING TO TELL
2 ME WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THIS PROGRAM. I'M PAYING FOR
3 REFERRAL SERVICES. AND I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY'S GETTING THEM,
4 ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT. RIGHT?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHEN DO YOU THINK WE'LL FIND OUT?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I THINK -- I GUESS --

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE OCTOBER FOLKS SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN GOING
13 THROUGH SUBSTANCE ABUSE. HOW MANY ARE GOING THROUGH IT?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WE DID HEAR WHAT YOU ASKED FOR LAST MONTH,
16 SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I GOT A RESPONSE THAT SAID YOU COULDN'T
19 FIGURE OUT WHAT OCTOBER NUMBERS WERE.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** WE DID SEPARATE THE OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER NUMBERS AND
22 WE CAN PROVIDE THEM TO YOU. WHAT I WILL SAY, SUPERVISOR, IS A
23 COUPLE THINGS. NUMBER ONE, WE'RE ONLY TEN WEEKS INTO THIS.
24 THIS IS A FLOOD OF INFORMATION COMING TO US UNLIKE WE'VE EVER
25 SEEN IN OUR SYSTEM.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT MR. POWERS, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, THIS IS
3 2,000 FOLKS THAT CAME TO THE COMMUNITY. THIS ISN'T JUST
4 NUMBERS. IT'S A PROCESS. WE'RE PUTTING IN A LOT OF MONEY. AND
5 I'M NOT SO SURE WE HAVE ANY UNDERSTANDING HOW THESE
6 INDIVIDUALS ARE FUNCTIONING AND OPERATING. I THINK ALL YOU ARE
7 IS WAITING FOR THEM TO REOFFEND AND THEN THAT WAY YOU CAN TELL
8 WHERE THEY'RE AT.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T BELIEVE WE'RE WAITING FOR THEM TO REOFFEND
11 BUT I THINK WE NEED TO KNOW BECAUSE CERTAINLY WE'RE BEING
12 ASKED MONTHLY HOW MANY OF THEM HAVE REOFFENDED. SO IT'S
13 SOMETHING WE HAVE TO TRACK FOR THIS BOARD AND FOR OTHERS. WE
14 HAVE FOCUSED, AS I SAID, WE'VE GOT A LOT OF WIDGET NUMBERS
15 HERE FOR YOU. WE HAVE FOCUSED ON THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS
16 THAT ARE COMING INTO THIS SYSTEM. FRANKLY, PART OF IT OR A
17 SIGNIFICANT REASON BEHIND THAT IS BECAUSE THOSE NUMBERS EQUATE
18 TO FISCAL IMPACTS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO WE NEED TO GET A
19 SENSE OF THAT SO THAT WHEN THE STATE COMES AND WE ENGAGE IN
20 THE DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW MUCH MONEY WE'RE GOING TO NEED FOR
21 YEAR TWO OF THIS, WE CAN BE READY WITH SOME INTELLIGENT
22 ANSWERS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN YEAR ONE AND HOW MUCH OF AN
23 IMPACT THERE WAS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TO MENTAL HEALTH
24 SERVICES, TO THE SHERIFF'S CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, THE
25 PROBATION.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK YOU CAN TELL ON THE MENTAL HEALTH
3 SERVICES BECAUSE YOU DON'T TRACK THEM.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE TRYING. IT'S A WORK IN PROGRESS. I WILL NOT
6 TELL YOU THAT WE'RE COUNTING EVERYTHING.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT EVERYTHING IS ALWAYS A WORK IN
9 PROGRESS. BUT IN OCTOBER THERE WAS 1,000. IN NOVEMBER THERE
10 WAS AN INITIAL THOUSAND. SO HE VEN ALLLY THE -- EVENTUALLY THE
11 NUMBER SHOULD GET BIGGER.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** IT SHOULD LEVEL OFF, ACTUALLY.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** REALLY?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** IT SHOULD LEVEL OFF. BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENS IS AS THE
18 PAROLEES, THE PAROLEE POPULATION WEAVES ITS WAY THROUGH THE
19 SYSTEM, WE THEN END UP WITH THE POPULATION THAT IS OUR LOCAL
20 FOLKS THAT ARE BEING SENTENCED TODAY TO THE JAILS.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THEY'RE NOT ENTITLED TO THOSE SOCIAL SERVICES.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** NOT AT ALL, MA'AM.

25

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY ARE ENTITLED TO THEM.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** YES.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU DON'Tp HAVE THEM IN PLACE NOW.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE FUNDING MODEL FOR THE STATE, AS
8 THE PAROLEE POPULATION THAT WE'RE TAKING FROM THE PRISONS,
9 THAT POPULATION WILL DIMINISH BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO ALL
10 COME OUT. THEY'RE NOT GOING BACK IN. AS THAT POPULATION
11 DIMINISHES, THE POPULATION COMING OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S
12 FACILITIES WILL BEGIN TO INCREASE BECAUSE THEY'LL FINISH THEIR
13 SENTENCES. AND AT SOME POINT WE WILL HIT A FAIRLY STABLE
14 NUMBER.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHEN THAT STABLE NUMBER HITS, THAT'S WHEN
17 YOU'LL KNOW WHAT LEVEL OF MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE,
18 HOMELESS SERVICES YOU'RE PROVIDING?

19

20 **SPEAKER:** WE DON'T HAVE TO GROW THE SERVICES LIKE WE ARE NOW.
21 WE ARE RUNNING AS FAST AS WE CAN TO DEAL WITH MENTAL HEALTH
22 ISSUES THAT YOUR BOARD IS AWARE OF WITH RESPECT TO STATE
23 HOSPITALIZATION OR POTENTIAL STATE HOSPITALIZATION, FOR
24 PROBATION ISSUES, TRYING TO GET STAFF ON BOARD, TO DO SOLE
25 SOURCE CONTRACTS, TO DO RFPs.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S MY POINT. WE JUST DID A SOLE SOURCE
3 CONTRACT FOR A HOMELESS. AND YET YOU CAN'T IDENTIFY IN HERE
4 HOW MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE NEEDED THOSE SERVICES.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** AS I SAID, WE'RE TEN WEEKS INTO THIS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT YOU'RE BUSY GETTING CONTRACTS,
9 PUTTING A DOLLAR AMOUNT ON THEM AS YOU WILL BE IN OTHER AREAS.
10 AND OUT OF TWO MONTHS OF REPORTING, YOU CAN'T TELL ME WE
11 SHOULD KNOW HOW MANY OF THOSE FOLKS NEEDED THAT KIND OF
12 HOUSING.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** ABOUT 1 IN 4 SO FAR, SO FAR.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT IN HERE. DO YOU HAVE IT IN HERE? IT'S
17 NOT IN HERE.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** IT'S NOT IN THERE, SUPERVISOR.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. SO THE POINT IS -- AND, AGAIN, LOCK EM
22 UP, DO THAT KIND OF STUFF. BUT THERE'S A PART OF THIS PROGRAM,
23 AS WELL, IN WHICH YOU'RE GETTING FUNDING FOR. BUT IF AT THE
24 END OF THE DAY THEY DON'T COME TO THOSE SERVICES, THEY DON'T
25 MAKE USE OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THEN ALL YOU'RE GOING GET

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1 REIMBURSEMENT FROM, IF ANYTHING, IS GOING TO BE FOR THE LOCK
2 EM UP, WHICH MAY BE OKAY. THE PROBLEM IS THERE'S A WHOLE GROUP
3 OF FOLKS, INCLUDING ME, WHO THINK THERE MIGHT BE SOME VALUE IN
4 THE, QUOTE, "SUPPORTIVE SERVICES", COMMUNITY SERVICES,
5 PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA OF MENTAL HEALTH IN WHICH THAT COULD
6 BE VITAL. BUT IN HERE IT'S NOT TRACKED. I MEAN IN THE MENTAL
7 HEALTH NUMBERS, I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU WILL KNOW NEXT MONTH
8 WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OCTOBER GUY THAT GOT SENT. YOU CAN'T
9 TRACK IT BECAUSE I HAVE TO GO INTO THE INDIVIDUAL FILE, YOU
10 SAID.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, ON THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, WE ARE
13 TRACKING BOTH THE SERVICES AND THE COSTS FOR ALL OF THESE
14 INDIVIDUALS AS THEY ENROLL IN OUR SYSTEM, BOTH IN OUR DIRECTLY
15 OPERATED CLINICS AND OUR CONTRACT AGENCIES. SO WE HAVE AND
16 CAN PROVIDE THAT DATA.

17

18 **SUP. MORT 'A:** AND IF THEY'RE ENROLLED IN THAT, HOW DO YOU KNOW
19 HOW OFTEN THEY'RE COMING AND MAKING USE OF YOUR SERVICES.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** BECAUSE EACH VISIT IS TRACKED AND BUILD AND CHARTED
22 SEPARATELY.

23

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT NOW IF I ASKED YOU FOR THE OCTOBER PEOPLE
2 THAT WERE ENROLLED IN YOUR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, YOU COULD
3 TELL ME HOW MANY TODAY ARE MAKING USE OF IT?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN WHY ISN'T IT IN HERE?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** IT WASN'T ASKED FOR TO BE IN THIS REPORT. BUT WE HAVE
10 THE DATA, SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT TO ME THAT DOESN'T MAKE
13 SENSE. BECAUSE IF I KNOW THAT YOU'VE ASSESSED SO MANY OF THESE
14 FOLKS THAT NEED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THEY'VE BEEN REFERRED
15 TO THOSE SERVICES, AND THEY'RE MAKING USE OF IT, I THINK
16 THAT'S A GOOD NUMBER TO KNOW. WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT TO KNOW?
17 RIGHT? WE WOULD KNOW THAT AT LEAST SOME OF THIS PROGRAM IS
18 WORKING.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, WE DEFINITELY WILL GO BACK AND REVISE THE
21 REPORT, REDESIGN IT AND TRY TO CAPTURE AS MUCH OF THIS
22 INFORMATION AS YOU CAN.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE CAPTURING A LOT OF NUMBERS THAT DON'T MAKE
25 SENSE. WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS WHAT GROUP OF THESE FOLKS, THESE

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1 OFFENDERS, ARE MAKING USE OF THESE VERY ELABORATE WEB AND
2 NETWORK OF SUPPORTIVE SERVICES? IF IT'S ONLY 10 PERCENT, I
3 WANT TO KNOW. IF THESE GUYS ARE SAYING "FORGET IT, I DON'T
4 WANT HOMELESS SERVICES, I DON'T WANT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, I
5 DON'T WANT NONE OF THIS CRAP, JUST LEAVE ME ALONE", I WANT TO
6 KNOW THAT. I CAN'T TELL BY THIS. I CAN'T TELL. NOW, YEAH, MORE
7 THAN LIKELY, IF THEY DON'T CHANGE THEIR WAYS, THEY'RE GOING TO
8 REOFFEND AND THEY'RE GOING TO END UP AGAIN. BUT I'M NOT SO
9 SURE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO TELL ME WHEN THEY
10 REOFFEND BECAUSE I'M NOT SO SURE THAT YOU CAN TRACK IT. I
11 DON'T KNOW.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** WHAT WE'LL DO IS WE WILL GO BACK AND WELL TRY AND
14 COME UP WITH SOME MORE MEANINGFUL DATA FOR YOU. I WOULD SAY
15 THAT IF ANYONE ON THE BOARD HAS SOME SPECIFIC MEASUREMENTS
16 THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE FROM US, WE'D BE MORE THAN WILLING TO
17 SEE HOW WE CAN INCORPORATE THAT.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL I THINK THAT AGAIN YOU ASKED FOR ALL THIS
20 INFORMATION FOR AN INFORMATION SYSTEM. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
21 THAT IT WOULD BE SIMPLE ENOUGH TO CREATE THE KIND OF TEMPLATE
22 THAT SAYS IF EVERYBODY'S ON THE RIGHT TRACK, A PROBATION
23 OFFICER HAS ASSIGNED THIS GUY TO THIS JOB OR THIS WORK SOURCE
24 CENTER AND THIS MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING AND THIS SUBSTANCE
25 ABUSE PROGRAM, THAT EVERYBODY WHO'S ON THE RIGHT TRACK YOU

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1 WOULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO TELL ME THAT. UNDER THESE NUMBERS, I
2 CAN'T TELL BECAUSE ALL I'M GETTING IS THESE ISOLATED NUMBERS
3 IN MENTAL HEALTH, THESE ISOLATED NUMBERS IN EACH OF THESE
4 AREAS THAT AT THE END OF THE DAY IT'S NOT TELLING ME MUCH
5 ABOUT THIS PROGRAM. SO I WOULD SUGGEST, MR. POWERS, THAT YOU
6 LEAVE THIS REPORT BEFORE IT COMES TO US AND YOU GIVE US A
7 PROBATION ANALYSIS AS TO IS IT MEETING OR ACHIEVING ITS GOALS?
8 I CAN'T TELL. IF I WERE TO READ THIS, I'D HAVE TO SPEND A LOT
9 OF TIME IN TRYING TO FORMULATE A SET OF QUESTIONS THAT WOULD
10 BE SIGNIFICANT IN ANY WAY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS GOING ON WITH
11 THIS POPULATION. RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE ALL GOING INTO DIFFERENT
12 LITTLE RAT HOLES AND I CAN'T TELL WHICH ONE IS FUNCTIONING OR
13 NOT. IN PARTICULAR, IF I CAN'T FOLLOW THEM WITH OCTOBER
14 NUMBERS BECAUSE NOW THEY'RE JUST PUT INTO THIS BIG POT SO I
15 DON'T KNOW. SO IT REALLY REQUIRES MUCH MORE. NOW, I KNOW THAT
16 YOU'RE JUST IN THE BEGINNING STAGES OF IT. BUT I WANT YOU TO
17 KNOW THAT IN THESE BEGINNING STAGES, IT'S ALREADY VERY
18 CONFUSING. SO IT'S NOT SHOWING ME ANYTHING. SO I DON'T KNOW
19 THAT IN SIX MONTHS FROM NOW YOU WON'T BE SITTING THERE AND
20 I'LL BE ASKING YOU THE SAME QUESTIONS AND THAT WILL BE PRETTY
21 PATHETIC.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I HOPE NOT, MA'AM.

24

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HOPE NOT, EITHER. I HOPE YOU'RE LISTENING. IT
2 ISN'T JUST NUMBERS. WHAT IS IT MEETING IN TERMS OF ITS
3 OUTCOME? AND I'M NOT SO SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THE OUTCOME
4 BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT MEASURING AGAINST THOSE OUTCOMES, Y CAN'T
5 TELL. SUPPOSEDLY THIS PROGRAM, AS I UNDERSTAND, BESIDES "WE
6 KEEP THEM FROM NOW ON" IS THAT THERE'S A SENSE OF SUPPORTIVE
7 SERVICES THAT THESE GUYS ARE SUPPOSED TO GET; RIGHT? SO EVEN
8 IF THEY GO INTO JAIL FOR THREE OR FOUR WEEKS, OR TWO DAYS,
9 THEY COME OUT AND THEY HAVE SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM, WE ARE
10 SUPPOSED TO BE PROVIDING THEM SOME ASSISTANCE. THEY TURN US
11 DOWN, I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THAT IS. BUT WE'RE NOT GETTING ALL
12 OF THAT IN HERE.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** WE'LL WORK ON THAT, MA'AM.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** YOU UNDERSTAND, SUPERVISOR. WE'LL REDESIGN THIS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** LIKE THE AFTER PROGRAM THAT I SEE AT PROBATION.

19

20 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? WE HAVE A
21 MOTION. MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY KNABE. WE'RE GOING TO
22 HAVE, HANG ON, WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. ALBERT MOBOLOZO,
23 CHRISTINE WANG, MARY SUTTON AND DAVID CHAVEZ. ONE MINUTE EACH.
24 OKAY. WHO'S GOING TO GO FIRST? LET'S GO. MR. NOVOLOZZO? MR.
25 NOVOLOZZO, IS THAT YOU? WHY DON'T YOU START?

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SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE SERIOUSLY MATTERS
OF PUBLIC SAFETY, I WOULD THINK FURTHER EXPANSION OF THE
COUNTY JAIL WHICH I THINK WAS REFERRED TO AS COMMUNITY
CRATCHIT FACILITIES IS NOT GOING TO DO THAT IN FACT I THINK
IT'S COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. L.A. JAILS CENTER A HISTORY OF
VIOLENCE AND BRUTALITY AGAINST INMATES AND THIS DOESN'T
PREPARE THEM FOR REENTRY. I'D LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THE
SUPERVISORS WITH THE POSITION OF AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE TO PUSH
FOR MORE INTEGRITY-BASED PROGRAMMING. I JUST DON'T BELIEVE
THAT FURTHER -- IS GOING TO BE USEFUL. AND I THINK THAT'S MY
COMMENT FOR TODAY.

13

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. CHRISTINE WANG?

15

SPEAKER: I'D LIKE TO GIVE MY MINUTE TO DAVID.

17

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: YOU CAN'T DO THAT. IF YOU DON'T
WANT TO SPEAK, WE'LL JUST GO ON TO THE NEXT PERSON.

20

SPEAKER: SURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, FOR
EMPHASIZING YOUR INTEREST IN COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORTIVE
SYSTEMS. WE AT CR COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU AND WE REALLY
THINK THAT IT'S THE SUPPORTIVE SYSTEM THAT RE-ALIGNMENT MONIES
WOULD MOST BENEFIT THIS POPULATION. AND WHEN WE ASK WHAT THIS

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1 POPULATION IS, I WOULD EMPHASIZE THAT THIS POPULATION IS PART
2 OF OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S OUR FAMILIES. IT'S OUR FRIENDS. AND
3 THEY'RE PEOPLE WHO I TOTALLY AGREE IT'S NOT ABOUT LOCKING THEM
4 UP AGAIN, WAITING FOR THEM TO COMMIT REOFFENSES. WE REALLY
5 HAVE TO, I THINK, THINK ABOUT THIS POPULATION AS PEOPLE, AS
6 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

7

8 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ASK JERRY SILVA TO COME
13 DOWN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** SHE HAD TO LEAVE.

16

17 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE HAD TO LEAVE. SO MARY SUTTON.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** MARY SUTTON, I'M A MEMBER OF CRITICAL RESISTANCE IN
20 CURB, STATEWIDE ALLIANCE OF OVER 40 ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING
21 PRISON AND JAIL EXPANSION. AND, YEAH, I'D LIKE TO REITERATE MY
22 PEER'S COMMENTS. I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT TALKING ABOUT THIS
23 POPULATION AS A NONHUMAN ENTITY, A NONHUMAN ELEMENT. WE NEED
24 TO BE TALKING ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO HELP THESE PEOPLE
25 SUCCEED IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND COME BACK TO THEIR FAMILIES.

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1 WHOLE COMMUNITY'S BEEN DEVASTATED AND DISENFRANCHISED BY 25,
2 30 YEARS OF BAD SENTENCING POLICY. SO WE NEED TO FOCUS ON
3 WHAT'S GOING TO STOP THAT ESCALATION AND INCARCERATION. LOS
4 ANGELES COULD SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE WHOLE COUNTRY. THERE ARE
5 13 STATES THAT ARE ALREADY DOING THE RIGHT THING, TAKING THE
6 MEASURES TO REDUCE POPULATIONS, DEINCARCERATE AND FOCUS ON
7 CHANGING SENTENCING, THE SENTENCING STRUCTURE. YOU SHOULDN'T
8 PUT PEOPLE WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES IN PRISONS. IF THEY DIDN'T
9 HAVE A DISABILITY BEFORE, THEY DO WHEN THEY COME OUT. WE'RE
10 DESTROYING FAMILIES. WE'RE DESTROYING INDIVIDUALS. THIS IS A
11 CIVILIZED ISSUE AND WE DON'T WANT MORE JAILS BECAUSE IT MEANS
12 YOU WANT --

13

14 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU, MS.
15 SUTTON. DAVID CHAVEZ.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** FREE L.A. HIGH SCHOOL. I WANT TO POINT OUT TO WHAT
18 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS PRESENTED EARLIER THIS MONTH. THIS MONTH IS
19 ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS. WE WOULD OBSERVE THIS MONTH AS HUMAN RITZ
20 MONTH. I THINK IT'S KIND OF FUNNY THAT WE'RE ALLOWING THE
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO COME UP HERE AND SPEAK. ONE OF THE
22 BIGGEST HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATORS IN OUR COUNTY AND ALSO OUR
23 STATE JUST HERE IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE, NOT TO PUT ALL THE BLAME
24 ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, BUT THERE'S BEEN 198 MURDERS BY
25 POLICE IN L.A. COUNTY SINCE 2007. THAT MEANS 1 OUT OF EVERY 20

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1 HOM OH SIDES IN L.A. COUNTCY DONE BY A POLICE OFFICER. AND I
2 DON'T REALLY SEE WHAT'S HUMAN OR RIGHT ABOUT EITHER OF THOSE
3 TWO ISSUES. SO TYING THIS BACK INTO RE-ALIGNMENT, WE NEED TO
4 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE INVESTING IN PROGRAMS THAT WORK, NOT
5 FUNDING PEOPLE THAT HAVE HISTORIES OF VIOLENCE, BUT FUNDING
6 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE WORKING WELL AND EVEN GO ON WITH WHAT
7 SHERIFF LEE BACA, HE'S QUOTED IN THE L.A. TIMES AS SAYING IN
8 TERMS OF YOUTH BEING IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW THAT WE CANNOT
9 ARREST OR INCARCERATE OURSELF OUT OF YOUTH VIOLENCE. WE NEED
10 TO TAKE UP ALL VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. KNABE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ONLY THING THAT I WANTED TO ASK, I UNDERSTAND
15 WHERE SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S COMING, I THINK THAT IS THE RIGHT
16 INFORMATION THAT WE NEED, BUT I'M NOT SURE THAT EVERY THREE OR
17 FOUR WEEKS WE'LL BE ABLE TO GENERATE THAT. MAYBE EVERY OTHER
18 MONTH SO WE GET A LITTLE BIT BETTER FEEL SO WE DON'T START TWO
19 WEEKS INTO IT AND THEN TRY TO PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER AND THEN
20 WE DON'T FINISH THE WHOLE MONTH? LIKE EVERY OTHER MONTH
21 GETTING AN UPDATE. I'M NOT ARGUING AGAINST YOUR RIGHT NOW
22 STUFF. I'M JUST TALKING ABOUT ON AN ONGOING BASIS INSTEAD OF
23 EVERY -- SO THAT WE CAN GET INFORMATION THAT WE CAN DEAL WITH
24 IN THAT NEW FORMAT.

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAD THE MOTION BEFORE US.
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. MR. ANTONOVICH, ANYTHING
3 ELSE?

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES, I DO. ITEM 13.

6
7 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 13.

8
9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME DO NO. 7 WHICH IS THE MERRICK BOBB
10 CONTRACT. THE PROBLEM I HAVE WITH THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY
11 IS TO GIVE MERRICK BOBB AN INCREASE IN HIS BILLABLE HOURS
12 WHICH INCREASES HIS COUNTY EARNINGS FROM \$223,000 TO \$334,500.
13 THE REASON IS THE ANTICIPATION OF THE SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF
14 THE TIME BEING DEVOTED TO ASSIST ON THE NEW CITIZENS
15 COMMISSION FOR JAIL VIOLENCE FOR THE POTENTIAL SAVINGS AND
16 LIABILITIES OVER THE YEARS, HOWEVER, THE COUNTY HAS ALREADY
17 COMMITTED THE COMMISSION ON A PRO BONO BASIS. EVEN WITH A
18 BUDGET SPACE AND STAFF, THE COMMISSION IS CONSIDERING OTHER
19 HIGHLY REPUTABLE PUBLIC SERVANTS FOR STAFF POSITIONS AGAIN ON
20 A PRO BONO BASIS. THAT MEANS NO COST TO THE TAXPAYERS. THE
21 REASON THIS FOCUS IS BECAUSE OF THE SHRINKING^p BUDGETS THAT E
22 HAVE AND WE KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM NEXT
23 YEAR WHEN WE DEAL WITH THE 2012-2013 BUDGET. MERRICK BOBB HAS
24 HAD A CONTRACT FOR 20 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY, EARNING OVER \$4
25 MILLION. FOR THE FIRST 17 YEARS 223,000 FOR THE LAST THREE

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1 YEARS. THE COUNTY AS I SAID HAS PAID OVER \$4 MILLION IN THE
2 COURSE OF THOSE 20 YEARS. AND THERE'S NO COMPELLING REASON OR
3 JUSTIFICATION TO GIVE AN ADDITIONAL 500 ADDITIONAL HOURS. THE
4 MOTION TOUCHES ON THE ANTICIPATED ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMISSION
5 OF POSSIBLY MONITORING THEIR FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
6 COMMISSION, BUT THERE'S NO REASON WHY MR. BOBB COULDN'T DO
7 THOSE SAME THINGS AT THE CURRENT RATE OF COMPENSATION. HE
8 COULD DO THE SAME CURRENT POLICIES, CARRYING OUT THOSE
9 POLICIES WITH THE CURRENT COMPENSATION THAT HE RECEIVES. IF
10 THE COMMISSION PLACES AN UNUSUALLY HIGH DEPEND DEMAND ON HIS
11 TIME IN EXCESS OF HIS HOURS, WE COULD ALWAYS RE-VISIT THAT
12 WITH A FUTURE BOARD MEETING AND MOTION. THE COMMITTEE IS
13 EXPECTED TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO US IN SIX MONTHS, WHICH
14 MAY HAVE A MATERIAL IMPACT ON MR. BOBB'S SERVICES AND TIME. SO
15 I WOULD APPROVE AN AMENDMENT THAT WOULD APPROVE A SIX-MONTH
16 CONTRACT WITH MR. BOBB WITH AN EXTENSION OF SIX MONTHS, 12
17 MONTHS, MODEST INCREASE, INSTEAD OF THE 50 PERCENT LAVISH
18 INCREASE IN BILLABLE HOURS. MR. KNABE?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK THAT'S FAIR IN THE SENSE THAT WE CAN
21 REVIEW IT IN SIX MONTHS. I'M NOT SAYING THAT I CAN'T ARGUE
22 AGAINST THE INCREASED INCOME IF WE NEED MORE HOURS. BUT I
23 THINK THE KEY ELEMENT IF YOU DO SIX MONTHS YOU REVIEW THE
24 NUMBER OF HOURS AND SEE IF YOU NEED TO ADD THE ADDITIONAL
25 HOURS IN SIX MONTHS. I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM DOING THAT.

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1

2 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU
3 SAID.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, HE ASKED FOR A MOTION THAT WOULD GIVE SIX
6 MONTHS. AND AT THE END OF THAT SIX MONTHS, WE'D HAVE AN IDEA
7 WHETHER THESE ADDITIONAL HOURS WOULD BE NEEDED INSTEAD OF
8 AUTOMATICALLY GIVING HIM THE ADDITIONAL HOURS TODAY IS ALL I'M
9 SAYING.

10

11 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEED TO MAKE A MOTION, I
12 BELIEVE?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. AND I THINK IT'S A MODEST INCREASE. I
15 DON'T UNDERSTAND.

16

17 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE HASN'T BEEN INCREASED SINCE HE
18 FIRST GOT STARTED, WHICH WAS ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHAT I UNDERSTAND.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WENT UP FROM 200,000 TO 233,000 THREE
23 YEARS AGO. ALMOST 20 YEARS AT 200,000 A YEAR FOR THE FIRST 17
24 YEARS AND THE LAST THREE YEARS IT'S BEEN 233,000.

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN YOU TAKE IT OVER THE 20 YEARS
2 OF HIS WORK WITH THE COUNTY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** \$4 MILLION.

5

6 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M LOOKING AT THE INCREASE, IT'S
7 NEGLIGIBLE. THE INCREASE OVER 20 YEARS IS NEGLIGIBLE. I THINK
8 THAT'S THE REASON FOR ADJUSTING THAT NOW. SUPERVISOR MOLINA
9 LIMITED IT TO A YEAR.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

12

13 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND I THINK THAT'S REALISTIC. I
14 WOULD HAVE ACTUALLY PREFERRED TWO YEARS, BUT OTHERS PREFERRED
15 LESS. AS YOU INDICATED I THINK ONE YEAR IS A GOOD COMPROMISE.
16 WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE JAIL VIOLENCE COMMISSION AND
17 OTHER THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON WITH RESPECT TO THE SHERIFF'S
18 DEPARTMENT. BUT, FRANKLY, I THINK ON THE WHOLE MR. BOBB HAS
19 DONE A VERY CREDITABLE JOB. IT CAME OUT OF THE COLTS
20 COMMISSION REPORT. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW SURVIVING ELEMENTS
21 OF THE COALS COMMISSION REPORT THAT IS STILL ALIVE AND WELL.
22 AND I THINK HE'S BEEN TRULY INDEPENDENT, MORE INDEPENDENT THAN
23 ANYBODY ELSE IN THIS WORLD OF MONITORS, AND I THINK THE MOTION
24 DESERVES TO BE APPROVED, THE ORIGINAL MOTION IS MADE BY
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA DESERVES TO BE APPROVED AS MADE. BETWEEN NOW

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1 AND A YEAR FROM NOW, THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF DISCUSSION
2 ABOUT WHERE WE GO FROM HERE. THAT'S FAIR ENOUGH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE SIX MONTHS, THE COMMISSION THAT WE
5 APPOINTED IS GOING TO REPORT BACK IN SIX MONTHS OR LESS, AND
6 THEN WE COULD RE-VISIT THAT ISSUE AT THAT TIME. BUT AS I SAID,
7 THE COMMISSION'S HAVING PRO BONO LEGAL ASSISTANCE FROM TOP
8 MAJOR LAW FIRMS. IT'S NOT AS IF THEY DON'T HAVE THAT ABILITY.
9 AND, AGAIN, \$100,000 INCREASE IS A SIZABLE HIT, IN MY OPINION.

10

11 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL THE WAY I LOOK AT IT, MIKE, TO
12 BE VERY HONEST, I THINK MERRICK BOBB HAS BEEN ARTIFICIALLY
13 HELD BACK FOR MOST OF THE 20 YEARS THAT HE'S BEEN WORKING FOR
14 US. AND THIS IS NOT A PRO BONO JOB. YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO HIRE
15 A PRO BONO DOCTOR TO DO YOUR LAP BAND SURGERY, WOULD YOU?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULDN'T HAVE THE SURGERY. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL? THAT'S
20 RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN? MS. MOW LEN AN?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** FIRST OF ALL, HAVING BEEN HERE DURING THE COLTS
25 REPORT, I WAS ONE THAT WAS AN UNBELIEVABLE SKEPTIC ABOUT HOW

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1 NOT ONLY THE REPORT BUT WHETHER IT WOULD HAVE A LASTING
2 EFFECT. ONE OF THE MOST POSITIVE ASPECTS HAS BEEN THE MERRICK
3 BOBB REPORTS, WHICH ISN'T LIMITED TO JAIL AND CUSTODY ISSUES.
4 HE HAS, IF YOU LOOK AT ALL OF HIS REPORTS THAT HE HAS PROVIDED
5 THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, IT IS AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF VARIOUS
6 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED BY THE SHERIFF. AND THE DEPTH OF
7 THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FAIRLY SUBSTANTIVE, VERY, VERY UNIQUE
8 AND DONE TOTALLY INDEPENDENT. WHAT HAS BEEN FASCINATING ABOUT
9 IT ALL, TO ME, IS THE FACT THAT THE SHERIFF HAS BEEN ABLE TO
10 WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH MERRICK BOBB, TAKE TO HEART, FOR THE
11 MOST PART, THE RECOMMENDATIONS; AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT THEM, I
12 KNOW THAT FOR MYSELF WHEN I WAS LOOKING AT THESE ISSUES OF
13 CUSTODY, I WENT BACK AND LOOKED AT THE MERRICK BOBB REPORT.
14 AND THEY WERE A WEALTH OF INFORMATION OF THINGS THAT SHOULD BE
15 GOING ON. AND WHICH IS HOW I CAME UP WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS
16 THAT WERE MADE AT THAT TIME. AND THE SHERIFF HAD AGREED TO
17 THEM BUT UNFORTUNATELY HAD NOT PUT THEM IN PLACE. WHEN YOU
18 LOOK ACROSS-THE-BOARD AT ANY OF THESE REPORTS, INCLUDING THE
19 MOST RECENT ONE DONE ON CENTURY STATION, THAT YOU COULD TELL
20 THE CALIBER AND THE QUALITY AND THE KIND OF INTEGRITY THAT
21 THEY HAVE. AND HE REPORTS DIRECTLY TO US. HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY
22 INTERMEDIARY WHATSOEVER. THE SHERIFF HAS GIVEN HIM THE
23 OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL THROUGHOUT ALL ASPECTS OF THE
24 DEPARTMENT. AND I THINK THEY PLAY A VERY VALUABLE ROLE. I
25 THINK THEY REALLY -- AGAIN, FOR THE PRICE OF WHAT WE ARE

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1 PAYING COMPARED TO SO MANY OTHER CONSULTANTS THAT WE'VE HIRED
2 IN THE PAST, WE ARE GETTING AN AWFUL LOT FROM THE CALIBER OF
3 THE REPORTS THAT MERRICK BOBB HAS PUT FORTH, RECOMMENDATIONS
4 THAT HE MAKES, THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE EMBRACED BY THE
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO THERE'S TREMENDOUS VALUE IN SOMEONE
6 WHO, LIKE MYSELF, WHO WAS VERY, VERY SKEPTICAL OF THE ORIGINAL
7 COLTS REPORT, BECAUSE LIKE MANY REPORTS, THEY SUGAR COAT MANY
8 OF THESE THINGS AND LATER ON THERE'S A VERY THIN LINE BETWEEN
9 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INVOLVED IN INVESTIGATING AND THOSE THAT
10 ARE ACTUALLY CARRYING OUT THE WORK. MERRICK BOBB HAS
11 MAINTAINED UTMOST INTEGRITY AND INDEPENDENCE THROUGHOUT IT AND
12 YET HAS MAINTAINED A VERY SOLID RELATIONSHIP NOT ONLY WITH THE
13 SHERIFF, WITH US, AS WELL. I DON'T AGREE WITH EVERYTHING HE
14 SAYS AND HOW HE DOES IT. AND I'VE HAD DEBATES WITH HIM ON SOME
15 OF THESE ISSUES, PARTICULARLY HOW THEY'RE PRESENTED; BUT AT
16 THE END OF THE DAY, THE QUALITY OF THOSE REPORTS ARE
17 INVALUABLE FOR THIS COUNTY. AND I THINK THAT WE SHOULD FOLLOW
18 THROUGH AND MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE. WE DON'T KNOW IN A
19 YEAR FROM NOW WHAT THE COMMISSION WILL SAY. BUT AGAIN THE
20 COMMISSION, AS I UNDERSTAND NOW, IS PRETTY MUCH LIMITED
21 BECAUSE OF THE ISSUES. SO WE HAVE TO KEEP IN MIND THAT MERRICK
22 BOBB'S REPORTS GO FAR BEYOND THAT. AND WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF
23 PEACE COMPARED TO WHEN I FIRST STARTED IN 1991 AND THE
24 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SHERIFF AND THE COMMUNITY. AND A LOT OF

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1 IT HAS COME FROM THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MERRICK BOBB HAS
2 MADE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T THINK ANYONE IS ARGUING ABOUT HIS QUALITY
5 OF WORK BECAUSE I TOTALLY AGREE WITH HIM. IT'S WHETHER YOU
6 WANT TO ISSUE HIM 500 EXTRA HOURS RIGHT NOW IS THE ISSUE.

7

8 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MOVE THE AMENDMENT. MAKE IT SIX MONTHS AND
11 INCREASE THE COST OF LIVING INCREASE.

12

13 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S CALL THE ROLL ON THAT
14 AMENDMENT.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

21

22 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE WENT OUT KEEP CALLING.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

6

7 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. ARE YOU GOING TO CAST A VOTE
8 HERE? ARE YOU ABSTENTING? HE'S ABSTAINING.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DR. OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES, HE'S
13 ANf5hS . CALL THE ROLL ON THE MAIN MOTION.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

25

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** .

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

6

7 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT PASSES. RIDLEY-THOMAS ACTUALLY
8 SAID AYE. I THINK HE WAS ABOUT TO SAY "I HAVE A HEADACHE" BUT
9 WE READ IT AS AN AYE. [LAUGHTER.]

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO MOTION CARRIES.

12

13 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT IS APPROVED. NEXT
14 ITEM. DO WE HAVE ANYTHING ELSE WE'RE HOLDING?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 13. ON ITEM 13, I WOULD VOTE YES ON ALL
17 THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE RELATED TO
18 THE HEALTHCARE REFORM. AND FOR THE RECORD THAT I DON'T SUPPORT
19 ADEQUACY EFFORTS FOR FUNDING THAT REQUIRES RESULTS OF NEW
20 TAXES. AND ALL THE OTHER ITEMS I WOULD SUPPORT. THERE IS A
21 FEW, THE TITLE PAGE. THERE'S LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS. THERE ARE
22 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** WHICH ONES? I WOULD CONCUR WITH THAT. BIFURCATE
25 IT.

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1

2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BECAUSE ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS IS ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE, SO THE PORTIONS --
4 ABSTAINING ON THE ENTIRE VOTE?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HE IS. AT LEAST THAT WAS -- HE IS
7 ABSTAINING ON THE ENTIRE VOTE. SO THE PORTIONS THAT RELATED TO
8 WHAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH JUST READ IN WILL FAIL TO CARRY.
9 THE REMAINING ITEMS? -- BOARD?

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THERE'S NOTHING IN OUR
12 AGENDA WHERE WE WOULD TAKE A POSITION TO RAISE TAXES.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW THAT. THAT'S WHY I JUST FOR THE RECORD
15 I'M SAYING THAT. BECAUSE LAST TIME PEOPLE WERE ADVOCATING A
16 POSITION IT'S WASHINGTON THAT INCLUDED A TAX INCREASE BECAUSE
17 WE HAD PROPOSED SUPPORTED ANOTHER PROPOSAL THAT THEY DIDN'T.
18 BUT THEY TOOK THAT AS THE POSITION THAT WE WERE FOR IT. AND IT
19 WAS NOT CORRECT.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CLARIFIED SAYING THAT UP FRONT, YES, SIR.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THERE'S NOTHING SPECIFIC IN IT. I CONCUR WITH
24 THAT RECOMMENDATION SO THEY DON'T COME BACK AND SAY WE
25 SUPPORTED THAT.

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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CONCUR WITH THAT. SO THERE IS NOTHING IN
3 THE AGENDA WHERE WE'RE ASKING FOR THE AUTHORITY TO ADVOCATE TO
4 RAISE TAXES. THERE'S NOTHING ABSOLUTELY IN THERE. SO WE CONCUR
5 WITH THAT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** ANYTHING RELATED TO THAT, THEN WOULD COME BACK
8 THIS WAY, CORRECT?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR.

11

12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITH MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINING ?
13 IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** JUST ASK ON THE HEALTHCARE PORTION THAT
16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IF WE HAVE THE VOTES FOR THAT ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M OKAY.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WILL CARRY.

21

22 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT WILL BE 4-0 ON EVERYTHING BUT
23 THE HEALTH REFORM.

24

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
2 YOU'RE NEXT.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SHE WAS NOT HOLDING ANY ITEM.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT WAS ONE.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WAS ITEM NO. 2.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE TOOK CARE OF IT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN THAT'S ALL I HAD.

13

14 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS? ARE YOU HOLDING ANYTHING?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 31?

18

19 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 31?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. ITEM NO. 31, MAY I SIMPLY REQUEST
22 THAT WE BIFURCATE DID MATTER PERTAINING TO THE GOLF COURSES IN
23 THE SECOND DISTRICT AND CONTINUE THOSE TILL SEPTEMBER --
24 JANUARY 10TH? THERE'S ONE SUCH GOLF COURSE, CORRECT?
25 WASHINGTON HATH AWAY GOLF COURSES, TWO OF THEM. ANY OBJECTION?

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1 WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WILL BE PUT OVER, THAT ONE, THOSE TWO
2 GOLF COURSES WILL BE PUT OVER UNTIL JANUARY 10TH. THE
3 REMAINDER ARE BEFORE US.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE aLD ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL ABSTAINzV ON THOSE ITEMS. AND SO THEY i
7 ARE BEFORE THE BOARD.

8

9 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY MOW LEN
10 AN. WITHOUT OBJECTION -- MOLINA -- WITHOUT OBJECTION -- WITH
11 RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINING, 4-0 WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. AND THE LAST ITEM WE HAVE IS
14 ITEM NO. 45. AND WE HAVE SPEAKERS ON THIS.

15

16 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT
17 WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS AND SIGNED UP. EACH PERSON WILL HAVE
18 ONE MINUTE. WE'LL CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP AT FIRST. BARBARA
19 ALCORN, LINDA BAROLA, LETICIA CERVANTES, YOLANDA LAWRENCE.
20 OKAY. MS. ALCORN?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES.

23

24 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE UP.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE, MY NAME IS BARBARA ALCORN.
2 I AM CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION
3 DEPARTMENT FOR 26 YEARS. I STARTED MY CAREER AS AN
4 INTERMEDIATE TYPE OF CLERK AND TODAY I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF MY
5 COLLEAGUES AND OTHER CLERICAL SUPPORT STAFF IN THE PROBATION
6 DEPARTMENT OPPOSING THE HIRING OF 28 CONTRACT CLERKS FOR THE
7 A.B.109. FULL-TIME PERMANENT CLERICAL STAFF PROVIDE A HIGH
8 QUALITY WORK AND DEDICATION TO THE COUNTY AND COMMUNITY.
9 A.B.109 CREATES LONG TERM NEED FOR CLERICAL STAFF AND WILL
10 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE MORE CLERICAL STAFF. THESE CLERICAL STAFF
11 WILL HANDLE CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS THAT ARE
12 IMPORTANT IN MAKING SURE PAROLEES ARE MEETING THEIR REENTRY
13 REQUIREMENTS AND SHOULD BE HANDLED BY CLERICAL STAFF THAT HAVE
14 TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF EXPERIENCE AND ARE THOROUGHLY VETTED
15 THROUGH THE CIVIL SERVICE PROCESS. NEWER CAL WORKERS SHOULD
16 BE HIRED AS FULL-TIME PERMANENT EMPLOYEES SO THEY HAVE THE
17 OPPORTUNITY, SUCH AS MYSELF, TO FURTHER THEIR CAREER WITH THE
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE PRIDE AND HONOR OF WORKING FOR THE
19 COMMUNITY.

20

21 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** AGAIN, ON MY BEHALF AND COLLEAGUES, WE ARE ASKING
24 THAT THE BOARD RECONSIDER HIRING CONTRACT STAFF, 28 POSITIONS
25 FOR THE A.B.109 AND HIRE FULL-TIME PERMANENT EMPLOYEES.

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2 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LINDA.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS LINDA BAROLA. I STARTED MY
5 CAREER 34 YEARS AGO HERE IN THIS BUILDING AT THE CIVIL SERVICE
6 COMMISSION. I WANT TO ADDRESS THE QUALITY OF SKILLS THAT THE
7 PERMANENT STAFF HAVE OVER THE CONTRACT EMPLOYEES. I DON'T
8 BELIEVE THAT APPLE 1 SUFFICIENCY CAN TRAIN THE CLR CAL
9 POSITIONS AND EDUCATE THEM ON HOW OUR PAROLEES THINK, HOW OUR
10 SYSTEM WORKS, HOW COURT REPORT WRITING IS EXTENDED. I DON'T
11 BELIEVE THEY HAVE THE PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS THAT IT TAKES TO
12 WORK WITH THIS A.B.109 PROGRAM. AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
13 IN THE FIELD, THE CLERICAL STAFF, THEY DO INTERVIEWING, THEY
14 TRANSLATE LANGUAGES, AND AS A TEAM OF CLERICAL SUPPORT,
15 THEY'RE ABLE TO DETERMINE THE PAPERWORK, IF THERE'S ANY
16 ERRORS. AND SINCE WE ARE, OUR MAIN CONCERN IS PROTECTING THE
17 COMMUNITY, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE KNOW THEIR MAILING
18 ADDRESS, THEIR FAMILY SITUATION.

19

20 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. YOU'RE WELCOME.

21 YOLANDA LAWRENCE.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** SHE IS GONE.

24

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1 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RALPH MILLER? I DON'T SEE RALPH
2 HERE. IS HE? SO THIN I DIDN'T SEE HIM. HOW ARE YOU DOING,
3 RALPH? GOOD. WHAT IS YOUR NAME, SIR?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** .

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MIKE GOMEZ.

12

13 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE YOU LATER. SO YOU'LL BE
14 RIGHT AFTER -- THE JAMES HARRIS HERE? OKAY. RALPH, YOU'RE UP
15 AND THEN MR. GOMEZ. ANDREA GORDON, IS SHE HERE? WHY DON'T YOU
16 COME UP HERE. GO AHEAD, RALPH.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I WANT TO START BY
19 CONGRATULATING YOU, YOUR NEW ASSUMPTION AS MAYOR. AND ALSO BY
20 THANKING YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR YOUR SERVICE AND
21 PARTICULARLY YOUR STANCE ON RE-ALIGNMENT. I ALSO WANT TO
22 WELCOME OUR NEW CHIEF AND OFFER HIM CONGRATULATIONS AND MY
23 CONDOLENCES, MOST SINCERE CONDOLENCES AND SAY WELCOME TO THE
24 COUNTY OF L.A. AND TODAY'S PREVIEW OF COMING ATTRACTIONS.
25 WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE CLERICAL STAFF. WE BELIEVE THAT

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1 THESE POSITIONS SHOULD BE PERMANENT. THEY'RE AN INTRICATE PART
2 OF WHAT WE DO AS PEACE OFFICERS, THEY DESERVE THE OPPORTUNITY
3 AND THE CHANCE TO SUCCEED IN THE SECURITY OF BEING PERMANENT.
4 I THINK THAT YOU CAN SEE THAT THE RE-ALIGNMENT PROGRAM WAS
5 PROBLEMATIC ENOUGH. IT DOES NOT NEED THE INSTABILITY OF NOT
6 HAVING PERMANENT PEOPLE THERE AND WELL-TRAINED. WE URGE YOU TO
7 RECONSIDER THIS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, RALPH. JAMES HARRIS IS
10 NOT HERE, RIGHT?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GONE.

13

14 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GONE. MIKE GOMEZ.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND GOOD AFTERNOON,
17 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MIKE GOMEZ. I'M A COUNTY, LOS ANGELES
18 COUNTY EMPLOYEE WITH THE CLERICAL SUPPORT STAFF. I'M HERE TO
19 RECOMMEND TO THE SUPERVISORS THAT THEY VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL
20 OF THIS TO HIRE PERMANENT CLERICAL WORKERS FOR OUR DEPARTMENT.
21 WE ARE DEALING WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE COMING OUT FROM STATE
22 PRISON. THIS ACCURATE INFORMATION NEEDS TO BE INPUT INTO THE
23 COMPUTERS, DOCUMENTED. AND IT REQUIRES PEOPLE WITH COMMITMENT,
24 WITH SAFETY CONCERNS TO REALLY DOCUMENT THIS INFORMATION THAT
25 GOES INTO THE DATABASE. SO MY RECOMMENDATION IS THAT THE

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1 COUNTY HIRE PERMANENT EMPLOYEES TO DO THE WORK THAT'S REQUIRED
2 VERY RACK ACCURATELY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND ANDREA GORDON.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANDREA GORDON. I
7 REPRESENT THE MANAGERS IN THE DEPARTMENT. I STARTED MY CAREER
8 IN THIS DEPARTMENT MANY, MANY YEARS AGO I WON'T SAY HOW MANY.
9 BUT I CAN SAY IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT WE HAVE MULTIPLE
10 COMPUTER SYSTEMS. CLERKS ARE READING LEGAL DOCUMENTS. THEY
11 HAVE TO BE ABLE TO INTERPRET AND INPUT THE INFORMATION
12 CORRECTLY, WORK WITH OTHERS THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM. IT IS VERY
13 DIFFICULT WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH A TEMPORARY CLERK WHO'S
14 THERE FOR A LIMITED PERIOD OF TIME, YOU'RE IN A CONSTANT STATE
15 OF TRAINING. WHILE I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WAS SOME
16 CONSIDERATION GIVEN AS TO COST, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT HIRING
17 TEMP EMPLOYEES WILL RESULT IN ANY SAVINGS, NOT IN THE LONG RUN
18 OVERALL BECAUSE OF THE REPEATED TRAINING REQUIREMENTS AND THE
19 LACK OF LONG-TERM AVAILABILITY OF THESE STAFF. THANK YOU.

20

21 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT ENDS THE PUBLIC
22 COMMENT UPON THIS ITEM. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? PARDON? NO,
23 DID YOU SPEAK?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** I DID NOT.

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2 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS YOUR THAT.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** LETICIA CERVANTES?

5

6 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID I CALL YOUR THAT.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** YOU DID, SIR.

9

10 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I MUST HAVE GOTTEN RID OF YOURS.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YOU'RE FORGIVEN. LETICIA, YOU'RE ON.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND WISHING
15 EVERYONE A HOPPY HOLIDAYS. MY NAME IS LETICIA CERTAIN CERV,
16 I'M A SUPERVISING CLERK FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, I HAVE
17 BEEN FOR 13 YEARS. I AM HERE TO HAVE YOU GUYS CONSIDER FOR ALL
18 FUTURE HIRING IN THE CLERICAL CLASSIFICATION THAT NEED TO HAVE
19 FULL-TIME PERMANENT. LET ME UNDERLINE THAT, BOLD LINE,
20 PERMANENT EMPLOYEES, HERE TO HAND OVER SIGNED PETITIONS, 256
21 SIGNATURES, PETITIONS TO YOU IN HOPES THAT YOU WILL RECONSIDER
22 THAT DECISION. THANK YOU.

23

24 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ANY
25 DISCUSSION ON THE ITEM? IS THERE A MOTION? IT'S MOVED.

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1 SECONDED BY KNABE. ANY OBJECTION? WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
2 VOTE. PUBLIC COMMENT? IN THE INTEREST OF MANAGING OUR SCHEDULE
3 HERE, WE'RE GOING TO A LOT ONE MINUTE PER PERSON ON PUBLIC
4 COMMENT HAVE I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE AT A TIME. DAVID
5 ROSE, HARRIET ELLIOTT, BOBBY COOPER, AND DANIEL GARCIA. WHAT
6 IS YOUR NAME, SIR?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** DAVID ROSE.

9

10 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID ROSE. YEAH. AND, MA'AM, WHAT
11 IS YOUR NAME?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS HARRIET ELLIOTT.

14

15 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO BOBBY COOPER IS NOT HERE,
16 CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. MR. ROSE?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I HAVE TWO
19 ITEMS HERE. THE ITEM TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS A PROPOSAL
20 FOR THE FUTURE SITE FOR THE CHARTER OAK LIBRARY. BY THE WAY MY
21 NAME IS DAVID ROSE. I LIVE IN THE CHARTER OAK COMMUNITY. MY
22 THREE CHILDREN ATTEND CHARTER OAK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.
23 ANYWAY, I'D LIKE TO HAND THIS OVER TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
24 MY REPRESENTATIVE. I APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICES. ONE ISSUE I
25 HAVE REGARDING WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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1 PUBLIC INTEGRITY DIVISION, I HAVE FILED A COMPLAINT AGAINST
2 THE DISTRICT FOR NOT DISCLOSING ON THE AGENDA WITHIN 72 HOURS
3 POSTING, I GOT THAT FROM THE ATTORNEY SAYING HE'S WORKING ON
4 IT. THEN A SECOND MEETING A MONTH LATER THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
5 DID NOT POST THE AGENDA AGAIN FOR THE SECOND TIME. I ASKED FOR
6 ASSISTANCE FROM THEIR PUBLIC -- DIVISION. AND HE SENT ME BACK
7 THE INFORMATION SAYING THAT HE'S WORKING ON IT. HE'S TELLING
8 THE DISTRICT TO COMPLY WITH THE LAW BY PUBLISHING THE AGENDA
9 72 HOURS BEFORE PUBLIC MEETING. I'M NOT SATISFIED WITH HIS
10 ANSWER. ALL I WANT FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION IS A LETTER
11 STATING THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS IN VIOLATION OF BROWN ACT.
12 THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME TO TRACK WHAT MY SCHOOL
13 DISTRICT IS DOING, ESPECIALLY WITH THE \$45 MILLION BUDGET IN
14 OUR SCHOOL SITES. I APPRECIATE IF YOU COULD FOLLOW-UP ON THAT
15 FOR ME, PLEASE, BECAUSE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY
16 IMPORTANT FOR ME TO KEEP TRACK OF WHAT OUR SCHOOL BOARD IS
17 DOING.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MR. ROSE, THANK YOU. HARRIET ELLIOTT?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HAND THIS OUT TO EVERYBODY? THANKS. I DON'T
22 HAVE A PEN. OH, HERE'S THAT. OKAY, SORRY.

23

24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GUESS, GO AHEAD, HARRIET.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** I CAME TO YOU MORE THAN FOUR YEARS AGO TO TALK ABOUT
2 THE BOOK "TERRORISTS STALKING IN AMERICA" WRITTEN BY A PRIVATE
3 INVESTIGATOR WHO WAS SCANNING A RADIO AND FOUND VERY, VERY
4 EXTREMIST CONSERVATIVE PEOPLE WHO WERE GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND
5 THE LAW AND DOING ILL LEGAL THINGS TO SOCIAL ACTIVISTS LIKE
6 MYSELF. I HOPE -- THE FIRST PAGE IS ABOUT THE BOOK, "ORGANIZED
7 STALKING", THE SECOND PAGE IS FOUR DIFFERENT PAGES OF THE
8 BOOK. YOU COULD ORDER IT ONLINE OR YOU CAN READ EXCERPTS FROM
9 IT ON THIS WOMAN'S WEBSITE "RAVEN1.NET." THIS WOMAN IS A
10 VICTIM OF STALKING FOR 25 YEARS, I'M A VICTIM FOR 12 YEARS.
11 ROBERT DUNCAN SAYS THAT IF YOU ARE TARGETED BY THE C.I.A.,
12 YOUR AVERAGE IS 12 YEARS LIFE AFTER YOU'RE TARGETED. SO I'M
13 BEATING THE ODDS. SHE, THIS WOMAN, IS A CONSERVATIVE.

14

15 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN I ASK YOU TO WRAP IT UP? I'M
16 ASKING YOU TO WRAP IT UP BECAUSE YOUR TIME IS UP.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. CHRIS HEDGES SAID THAT MANY SOCIAL ACTIVISTS
19 ARE KILLED AND THE LEADERS DO NOT KNOW THAT THIS IS HAPPENING.
20 I BELIEVE THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE THEY'VE INVITED TOO MANY
21 LIBERTARIANS IN THEIR GROUP JUST LIKE.

22

23 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MR. GARCIA? AND
24 BEFORE YOU START, MR. GARCIA, LET ME ASK GEORGE REHALL, DAVID
25 SERRANO, WALTER BECKTEL OKAY, MR. GARCIA?

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** I WANTED TO TAKE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENFORCE
3 THE LAW TO THE HOUSING SITUATION THAT YOU GUYS, THAT THE BOARD
4 IS INVESTIGATING [INAUDIBLE] BECAUSE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS
5 BEEN NOT REALLY GOOD IN APPLYINT , IN ENFORCING THE ADA. IN MY
6 TOPIC I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT IS I NEED HELP TO MOST OF THE
7 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN MY COMMUNITY TO VOTE. AND I'M
8 ASKING HERE YOUR HELP ON THE P.S.A. AND I WANT TO KNOW IF I
9 COULD GET HELP BY P.S.A. PROMOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. REHALL?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S PRONOUNCED ROW. WON'T HOLD IT AGAINST YOU. MY
14 NAME IS GEORGE ROW. I WAS HOPING TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 55-B
15 REGARDING THE MINUTIA OF BUSINESS CARDS AT D.C.F.S., BUT I
16 GUESS I MISSED MY OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT WHEN THAT ITEM WAS
17 HELD. BUT THE REASON I WANTED TO MAKE A STATEMENT NOW IS I WAS
18 JUST APPALLED AT THE ATTACK ON THE LAP BAND GENTLEMAN. HE WAS
19 SORT OF OUT OF CENTRAL CASTING FOR THE SLEAZY, SKETCHY,
20 MARKETING GUY. BUT FOUR TO FIVE PEOPLE HAVE DIED FROM
21 COMPLICATIONS OF THIS SURGERY IN THE LAST COUPLE YEARS. BUT
22 THE COUNTY HAS OVERSEEN A BROKEN CHILD CUSTODY SITUATION WHERE
23 OVER 70 CHILDREN HAVE DIED SINCE 2008. AND ACTUALLY THIS
24 COUNTY HAS BEEN STONE WALLING STATE RECORDS REQUESTS ABOUT
25 THOSE CHILDREN'S DEATHS. BUT YET YOU WERE ATTACKING THE LAP

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1 BAND GUY FOR BEING EVASIVE. AND I JUST THINK THAT WAS THE
2 HEIGHT OF HYPOCRISY AND HOPE WE REFLECT OVER THIS SEASON ABOUT
3 THE CHILDREN THAT ARE NOT WITH US BECAUSE OF THE NEGLIGENCE.

4

5 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT IS DAVID
6 SERRANO?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THE LORD OUR GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE
9 HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, FOREVER AND EVER, AMEN. THE LORD, JESUS
10 CHRIST, IS THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN. THE
11 CHRISTIAN GOD CREATED THE UNIVERSE BY WAY OF WHAT WE CALL THE
12 BIG BANG THEORY BUT ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE INFLATION THEORY.
13 INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, WE LOOK AT THIS EXPANDING UNIVERSE AND
14 WE SAY WOW, IT'S SO BIG, BUT, YOU KNOW, AT ONE TIME IN THE
15 BEGINNING THE UNIVERSE WAS ONLY A FEW MILLIMETERS ACROSS.
16 REMEMBER THAT, HOW TEENY TINY IT WAS. JESUS CHRIST IS GOD. HE
17 LOVES YOU. HE CARES ABOUT YOU. HE IS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR. THIS
18 WORLD IS A FALLEN WORLD. WE ARE ALL UNDER THE CURSE OF SIN,
19 WHICH IS DEATH. THE ONLY WAY TO LIFE IS BY BELIEVING IN JESUS
20 CHRIST. JESUS CHRIST DIED IN OUR PLACE FOR OUR SINS AND ON THE
21 THIRD DAY HE RESURRECTED, AMEN. THE CHRISTIAN GOD IS THE ONE
22 AND ONLY TRUE LIVING GOD, AMEN.

23

24 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT IS WALTER BECKTEL?
25 BEFORE YOU START, WALTER, LET ME JUST INVITE DOWN JERNITA

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1 GREENAGE? IS SHE HERE? EDDIE JONES? MR. JONES HERE? JOHN
2 WALSH? ERIC PREVEN? AND ARNOLD SACHS. OKAY, MR. BECKTEL,
3 YOU'RE ON.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS WALTER BECKTEL. I JUST
6 WANTED TO REITERATE SOME INFORMATION AS I UNDERSTAND IT.
7 SOCIAL SECURITY, THEY'RE GOING TO TRY TO ELIMINATE SOCIAL
8 SECURITY TAXES. I DON'T THINK THAT THAT'S A GOOD IDEA BECAUSE
9 THESE PEOPLE DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING THAT THESE LITTLE
10 OLD LADIES AND GRANDFATHERS AND DISABLED PEOPLE CAN DO. I BEG
11 TO DID HE EVER WITH YOU ABOUT THAT. -- BEG TO DIFFER WITH YOU
12 ABOUT THAT. I BELIEVE THERE IS SOMETHING THAT WILL HAPPEN. IF
13 YOU CUT THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY ANY MORE THAN WHAT WE'VE BEEN
14 CUT ALREADY, THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO.
15 THEY'RE GOING TO TEAR UP THE PHOTOS YOU'VE BEEN WAITING TO
16 RECEIVE. THEY'RE GOING TO TAKE THAT HEIRLOOM AND THEY'RE GOING
17 TO SMASH IT. THEY'RE GOING O TAKE THE DOCUMENT THAT YOU KNOW
18 WHAT IT IS AND IT'S SOME TRUST DEED OR SOMETHING, BUT YOU
19 DON'T THINK SHE KNOWS WHAT IT IS, AND SHE'S GOING TO TEAR IT
20 UP. I THINK YOU'RE MAKING A BIG MISTAKE ALLOWING HIM OR HER TO
21 TAKE THE MAP TO THE GOLD MINE OF WHATEVER IT IS AND THROW IT
22 IN THE TRASH OR THE 10 EARLY SHARES OF STOCK AND THROW IT
23 AWAY. THAT'S A BIG MISTAKE TO DO THAT.

24

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1 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME'S UP. MR.
2 WALSH?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THIS
5 IS OUR WEBSITE RIGHT HERE. CHECK IT OUT. 100,000 Ap MONTH.
6 GOOGLE WALSH CONFIDENTIAL. YES, 70 DEAD CHILDREN IN YOUR CARE
7 IN THE PAST FOUR YEARS. YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT QUITE AT THE
8 HOLOCAUST LEVEL, BUT IT'S NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT. MAYOR ZEV, BE
9 CAREFUL, BE ASSURED THAT YOU WILL NEVER BE MAYOR OF THE CITY
10 OF LOS ANGELES. NOT WITH THE 70 DEAD CHILDREN. AND WE'D LIKE
11 TO POINT OUT THE REST ROOMS HERE, IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE
12 CITY. IF YOU COME IN HERE FOR THE FOUR-HOUR MEETING AND YOU
13 HAVE TO USE THE RESTROOM, WHEN YOU GO OUT, YOU HAVE TO GO
14 THROUGH THE METAL DETECTOR AGAIN. THIS IS SEXIST BECAUSE WOMEN
15 HAVE TO GO TO THE RESTROOM MORE OFTEN THAN MEN BECAUSE OF THE
16 STRUCTURE OF THE BLADDER. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. WE'RE
17 POINTING OUT EVERYTHING FOR THE COUNTY. COME HERE. NO MAYOR
18 ZEV.

19

20 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TIME'S UP.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** BOY, THAT WAS FAST.

23

24 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, IT WAS, VERY FAST.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** GOT TO GO TO THE BATHROOM. MR. PREVEN HERE? ARNOLD
2 SACHS.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** MR. MANAGER, BOY, MARKETING, DANGEROUS OR
5 MISLEADING, TRUTHFUL ADVERTISEMENT, OVERSIGHT, BIZARRE,
6 UNCONNECTED, ENTITY IN SPACE, ACCURATE AND TRUTHFUL, HOLY COW.
7 MY EARS ARE BURNING. ALL THATsVERBIAGE TO PARAPHRASE THAT ROCK
8 SONG "WHO LET THE YAP DOGS OUT." . I MEAN EVERYBODY LAUGHED,
9 BUT LET'S TALK ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, TA-DA! HEY,
10 2011 THE LAST MEETING I'M GOING TO GET IT IN. I READ A LETTER,
11 MODIFIED STATE LAW. HOW THE HELL DID THAT HAPPEN? YOU'RE
12 CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT THESE GUYS ARE DOING? THE GUY WAS WRONG
13 WHO SAT HERE AND SET IT WAS THE HEIGHT OF HYPOCRISY. IT'S THE
14 DEPTH OF HYPOCRISY THAT YOU SINK TO, NOT THE HEIGHTS THAT YOU
15 RAISE. BY THE WAY, LAST ONE OUT SHUT THE LIGHTS OFF.

16

17 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. TIME'S UP. WILL YOU READ
18 US INTO CLOSED SESSION?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
21 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
22 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1 AND CS-3,
23 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
24 AND ITEM NO. CS-6, DEPARTMENT HEADS PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS
25 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE

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